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THE U.S. TARIFF.

What the Republican Members of the Ways and Means Committee Are Doing.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The Republican members of the ways and means committee who are working on the tariff bill agreed to-day to restore the McKinley duty on lead ores. The McKinley rate is 1½ cents per pound while the present duty is ¾ cents. It was decided also to change the law dealing with the assaying of imported lead ores, and instead of having them assayed at the port of entry to admit them under bond and have them assayed at the office nearest their destination. Copper, brass, gold and silver were also restored to the rates of the McKinley law, which are 35 per cent. ad valorem on copper, 1½ cents a pound on brass, and 35 per cent. ad valorem on gold and silver. The committee also disposed of a number of items, among them the manufactures of iron and steel, by giving them specific rates equivalent to the present ad valorem duties on them. This list includes nails, spikes, tacks, needles, horse-shoes, nuts and washers, braids, rivets, engraved steel plates, saws, screws and umbrella ribs.

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CRETANS AND TURKS.

More Fighting Near Canea—Flotilla of Greek Torpedo Boats Ready to Sail.

Greece Advised by the Powers Not to Provoke Difficulties With Turkey.

ATHENS, Feb. 11.—Later advices from Canea show six Christians have been killed or wounded in fighting round the convent of Chrisophyghi, near Canea, and ten Mussulmans have been killed.

A fresh flotilla of four more torpedo boats is held in readiness to sail for Crete and reinforcements of troops are being hurriedly dispatched to the frontier. The departure of Prince George with the first torpedo flotilla has aroused the greatest enthusiasm in the provinces as well as in this city. Patriotic demonstrations are taking place in all parts of Greece. The chamber has voted half a million drachmas to aid the Cretan refugees.

It is said that Prince George has orders to prevent the landing of any Turkish troops on that island. The fighting at Kissamo, where the Mohammedan inhabitants were besieged in their houses for several days, was desperate. Thirty Christians and one hundred Mohammedans were killed, and fighting, it is reported, is still proceeding about the convent of Chrysophgyi, near Canea. The insurgent leaders are now assembled for a conference. It is understood that a constitution and a provisory government here will be promulgated. It is asserted that M. Dimitroff, the Bulgarian diplomatic agent, has been entrusted with the specific mission to negotiate an agreement between Bulgaria and Greece for combined action in Macedonia.

CANEA, Feb. 11.—A band of Mohammedan families, which had been permitted to leave here under agreement with the Christians, while proceeding to Heraklion escorted by troops, were attacked by the Christians and suffered considerable loss.

ROME, Feb. 11.—King Humbert this afternoon conferred with Admiral Canevara, who is to command the Italian squadron destined for Crete. Admiral Canevara received instructions from the King as to the course to be pursued upon his arrival at Canea.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—A dispatch to the Times from Athens says the central committee is preparing to support the Cretans with arms, ammunition and supplies on a great scale. The first instalment, it is added, sailed on Wednesday with 600 armed Cretans. The dispatch concludes with the remark: "It is possible that a direct collision will occur between the Greek and Turkish forces."

A dispatch to the Chronicle from Vienna says all the powers have advised Greece not to precipitate matters in Crete and to avoid anything likely to lead to a rupture with Turkey. They have also intimated, unofficially, that the time would inevitably come when Greece will get possession of the island.

A dispatch to the Times from Constantinople says: "The Porte has wired the Turkish ambassadors in the different countries to protest strongly to the powers in the matter of the result of their intervention in Cretan affairs, and to especially call their attention to the present attitude of Greece.

Anxiety is felt over the outbreak of the young Turks. The fall of prices on the Galata bourse continues. Official embassies on Sunday received copies of a manifesto from the young Turks party declaring that they had decided to have recourse to force. Numbers of fly sheets denouncing the present government have been found on the streets of Stamboul. The Russian embassy has written the Porte pointing out the necessity of preventing an outbreak which imperils the integrity of Turkey. This action of the Russian ambassador has impressed itself on diplomatic circles, especially in view of the naval preparations at Odessa.

The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon says: "There is reason to believe the government of Great Britain regards the dispatch of the Greek flotilla to Crete as a very serious matter and likely to involve the gravest consequences," adding, "no intimation of the intentions of Greece were conveyed to any of the powers and preparations to carry them into effect were carefully kept secret. It may be confidently expected that the Marquis of Salisbury will adopt a very firm attitude and that immediate and vigorous steps will be taken to neutralize the effect of Greece's action."

The parliamentary secretary of foreign affairs, Mr. Curzon, answering a question in the House of Commons concerning the trouble in Crete, said the British consular reports showed there were 700 Christians on the heights at Halpa and an unknown number westward. He added that the general tenor of the reports indicates that the Christians in that district are rather the assailants than the attacked. Continuing, Mr. Curzon said the British naval commander in Cretan waters cabled on Sunday last that an agreement had been made by which no further advance was to be made. The government had no information showing that the Turkish authorities armed or encouraged the Mussulmans. The Mussulman mob, Mr. Curzon admitted, forcibly seized and rifled the arsenal at Candida, two Turkish guards being killed in the affray.

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MAIL RESTRICTIONS.

Explanations of the Postmaster-General's Order—How It Will Work.

Sentiments of the Premier Towards Canada Generally and Its Capital.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 11.—The statement is made that the Postmaster-General has restricted free transmission through the mails. Ontario Government publications authorized by the legislature will still be transmitted free, but the class of publication on which the department requires postage to be paid, as advised by the Minister of Justice, is blank forms sent out by the departments asking for information.

Mayor Bingham gave a luncheon today to about 300 leading citizens of Ottawa. The Premier in responding to the toast of the parliament of Canada said the government was full and replete with good will and good intent towards Canada generally and the city of Ottawa in particular. We intend, he said, to do our best for the city. We mean, in so far as we can speak for the House of Commons, to do everything possible to make the country prosperous and the capital of Canada worthy what its capital should be.

AGAINST THE EMIR.

Advance of the Royal Niger Company's Expedition Against Nupe.

Capture of the Town of Bida—Enormous Losses Among the Natives.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—A dispatch from Bida, dated January 27, gives additional details concerning the advance of the columns of the Royal Niger Company's expedition against the Emir of Nupe. The fighting in the vicinity of Bida, the Fulah capital, which was stopped by darkness on the evening of January 26, was resumed at daylight on the morning of January 27. Half of the British force, which consisted of 500 troops, 6 Maxims, 26 mounted officers, and 99 carriers, was ordered to cross a ravine near the ridge on which the troops of the Royal Niger Company's expedition had been stationed during the night. As they crossed the ravine it was not noticed that the Fulah forces were watching. The troops accordingly formed in a half square, the guns forward. The rear half of the force then closed on the front half, forming a complete square. The British forces advanced steadily, halting every 200 yards to allow the guns to keep pace.

The massed forces of the enemy soon appeared, covering the sugar slopes, constituting a splendid panorama in their semi-barbarous costumes. The square of the Royal Niger Companies forces was soon completely surrounded by 20,000 cavalry and footmen. The reduction from the estimate made on January 26 was due to the death of two important princes, who rule the Moslem states, allies of the Mohammedan Emir of Nupe, and vassals, like the Emir of Nupe dependent on the great Mohammedan empire of Sokolo. When these two princes and rulers were killed with shells from the British, their forces withdrew from the army of the Emir of Nupe.

The Royal Niger troops continued to advance slowly until they reached a ridge town commanding Bida. They then took up a strong position on the reverse of the slope and continued to reconnoitre throughout the day. Their forces were constantly harassed by Fulah sharpshooters, who daringly advanced to within a hundred yards of the square. Swarms of the enemy's cavalry charged on the Royal Niger forces, but they were badly shattered owing to the effective use of the Maxim guns playing on the gradually retiring masses of the enemy.

At noon the advance of the company's troops entered Bida, which is a town three miles square. The bombarding of a portion of the town was resumed, however, lasting until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when one half of the Hausa troops took possession of the town. Only fifteen of the Hausa troops were wounded. The losses of the Fulah forces were enormous. The brother of the Emir of Nupe and many princes were severely wounded by a shell which exploded among the members of the staff of the Emir, killing two men who were standing within a foot of him at the time. All of the Fulah princes fled in the direction of Sokolo.

PACIFIC CABLE.

Another Move in Connection With the Hawaiian Service.

HONOLULU, via San Francisco, Feb. 11—President Dole to-day had placed in his hands a letter from Alfred S. Hartwell withdrawing his application of Oct. 23 last asking for the cable contract from the Hawaiian government. Mr. Hartwell has made a request to this government for a contract in favor of the Pacific Cable Co., of which he is the authorized agent.

You should have a pair of those $1.25 made to order pants which Marks is making; they are cheap. 111 and 113 Government street is the place. x

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

One of the Departmental Buildings at Ottawa Burned—Serious Loss.

Documents and Official Papers Prior to Confederation Completely Destroyed.

OTTAWA, Feb. 11. — (Special) — The worst fire which the Capital has had for many a long day is raging to-night, and as the result thereof the taxpayers of the Dominion will eventually have to meet about a quarter of a million dollars. At midnight the entire roof of the western departmental building and offices on the fourth storey are in flames. The efforts of the Ottawa brigade are directed towards keeping the flames from descending the lower stories of the building—the only portion of the building which has escaped with the exception of some of the offices in the Mackenzie wing, from the big tower northerly. In this portion of the building are the offices of the departments of railways and canal and inland revenue. The rooms burnt out were those occupied by the engineering and architects staff of the public works department, including hundreds of valuable plans and records; certain offices occupied by some of the clerks of the marine and fisheries department, and the entire offices of the mounted police department. All the offices below, occupied by the departments of public works, marine and fisheries, militia, trade and commerce and customs are deluged with water.

The fire was first discovered in the fourth flat of the public works department, and it is supposed to have been caused by the carelessness of one of the clerks who had been smoking. For a long time the smell of smoke could be detected before its origin was discovered. It unfortunately happened that the conflagration broke out in the most vulnerable point of the building as the whole top story was a veritable fire trap. The roof was of wood, the partitions were of wood and the floors of wood. To add to the disaster this portion of the building, is with the exception of the tower part, situated on the highest level of the parliament buildings, and at first a supply of water was not to be had. As soon as two steamers got to work, however, there was good pressure but owing to inflammable nature of this portion of the building it was practically impossible to stay the progress of the flames, which worked round to northern facade, found their way along the eastern front, and then moving round to east side facing on Parliament square, only stopped short at the tower over Hon. Mr. Davies' office, which is at the extreme northeast end of the building. One hundred thousand dollars may cover actual loss, but the general opinion is that as a new roof of iron and copper similar to the Langevin block will be necessary, the figures already mentioned will be largely increased.

There is no insurance on the buildings. The loss will be about $150,000, but this amount will not put up a proper roof. It will take more than twice that amount to do so. The Annex put up by the Mackenzie government in 1875 still remains untouched in any way. All the old papers and records before Confederation were stored away here and are burned. The place was never intended originally for offices, but had so been used. The stationery office of the department of Public Works and the photograph gallery were burned.

The fire broke out in a vacant room used by the railways and canals department in the upper story of the Western departmental block, at ten minutes to 5 o'clock this afternoon. All the hydrants on the government grounds were frozen. The government fire brigade could do nothing with it, and when the city brigade arrived the lack of pressure prevented the water from covering it. This went on for nearly three-quarters of an hour. Then the fire engine was obtained which gave an additional supply of water, and later on a second engine was on the scene.

ORE SHIPMENTS FROM ROSSLAND

Bostock Favors Government Ownership of Crow's Nest Pass Railway—Dividend Declared—The War Eagle.

ROSSLAND, Feb. 11.—(Special) — The ore shipments from Rossland last week as gathered by the Miner were 1,209 tons. From Jan. 1 to Feb. 7 inclusive the shipments total 6,085 tons. The average value of Rossland ore is $35 per ton, or about $180,000 so far this year.

Hewitt Bostock, M.P., addressed a mass meeting of citizens here to-night in Dominion hall. He declared himself in favor of the government ownership of the Crow's Nest railway and the total exclusion of the Chinese from Canada; reform in the tariff, and retaliatory legislation if the United States adopted the Corliss amendment to the alien labor bill. His views met with the hearty approval of his audience.

A special to the Miner from Spokane announces dividends declared by the Rambler Consolidated Company, of Slocan of $20,000; and Cariboo of Camp McKinney of $16,000.

A special to the Miner from Spokane states that a petition is being signed by the majority interests in the old War Eagle Company, demanding a full accounting from the date of organization. This indicates that the fight over the transfer to the Gooderham syndicate is not yet ended.

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COWICHAN'S WANTS.

Public Meeting at Duncan Passes Resolutions Endorsing the Road to Kootenay.

Why the Alberni Railway Should Traverse Cowichan—Proposal to Bore for Coal.

DUNCAN, Feb. 11.—(Special)—A full council met in the municipal hall, Duncan, on Monday the 8th instant. Three petitions were presented—one praying for a road to the Croft townsite, Chemainus, another for a deviation of road No. 7 to avoid some heavy gradients and to give more direct communication with Duncan, and the third for the grading of the new portion of road No. 4. The clerk (James Norcross) was instructed to procure information and maps of the Chemainus townsites; and the road inspector was directed to examine and report upon the proposed line of road and the new streets for which a petition was received by the late council, and to call for tenders for work on No. 4 road. Consideration of the second petition was postponed until the available revenue for the year had been ascertained.

The dispute regarding the wild land tax which had been pending for some time between the municipality and Mr. W. Beaumont having been submitted to arbitration, the arbitrator's report was read and referred back for further consideration.

A resolution, to be forwarded to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, was passed, suggesting that, as the municipality had to pay the coroner's bills, the reeve ought to have the power of deciding whether or not an inquest was necessary. On a bill from the coroner being brought in, a resolution was passed declining to recognise the liability of the municipality for the cost of inquests on Indians. For the short time remaining the council commenced the reconsideration of the amended and consolidated by-laws, and then adjourned until the 20th instant.

The local board of health sat under the presidency of Mr. W. C. Duncan. The health officer gave his report on the sanitary condition of the Duncan and Chemainus townsites. He had also visited each householder in Duncan to ascertain the wishes of the inhabitants respecting the continued employment of the scavenger. On this point there was an unfortunate want of unanimity, and the board decided no longer to employ the scavenger, as, under the peculiar regulations of the provincial board of health, they have no power to enforce the acceptance of his services; and the secretary was instructed to write to the central board pointing out the danger which must arise in consequence.

A public meeting of the electors of Cowichan-Alberni, summoned by the reeve (Mr. T. A. Wood), was held in the agricultural hall, Duncan, on Tuesday night, to consider questions affecting their interests, with a view to advising and strengthening the hands of their representatives. Mr. W. C. Duncan was elected chairman, and Mr. J. Norcross, secretary. The following resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas, it is to the best interests of the whole of the province that the trade springing from the immense mining development at present taking place in the Kootenay and other parts should be retained for the benefit of our own citizens; and whereas, this trade is being rapidly diverted into the towns lying south of the boundary line, owing principally to the want of railway communication between the mining centres in the Kootenay and our sea coast cities; and whereas, the provincial government will be asked to assist, either by land grants or cash bonus, a large number of railway schemes in various parts of the province, and thereby may be embarrassed as to which is the most important: Therefore this meeting, in order to strengthen their hands in this matter, do unanimously resolve that their representatives are hereby instructed to use all their influence in the house in favor of the building a railway from the coast into the Kootenay as being of the first importance; and this meeting further considers that the government of British Columbia would be acting in the best interests of the province by they themselves undertaking the construction and equipment and controlling the management of this railway."

"Whereas in view of the immense amount of capital at present being put into mining enterprises, and thereby to some extent withdrawn from the development of agriculture in this province; and whereas agriculturists in British Columbia are seriously handicapped in their own market by competition from countries which do not labor under the disadvantage of having so much capital to lay out to bring their lands under the plough; and whereas without a liberal expenditure of capital at low rate of interest it is impossible at present prices to make farming pay or to attract agricultural settlers to open up the country; and whereas many farmers are overweighed and despondent in their efforts to pay the heavy rate of interest on money borrowed to clear their lands and at the same time make a living (evidenced by the number of farms for sale): Therefore this meeting of electors and farmers of Cowichan-Alberni district do hereby petition the provincial government, and instruct their representatives to assist, to devise some scheme to relieve the present depression by one of the methods advocated by the farmers' convention held at New Westminster January 27, or by some other feasible scheme."

"Whereas the government of British Columbia will be asked in the present session of the house to consider the advisability of either themselves building or to give aid to assist in building a railway from Nanaimo to Alberni, we, the farmers and electors of Cowichan district, hereby wish to lay before the provincial government our claims to have the above railway built from some point within this district, as giving better promise of remunerative returns than a railway starting from the town of Nanaimo.

"1. Because there exists around Cowichan lake district sufficient good timber to, in itself, give good returns in freight on a line tapping that country—the Cowichan river being, without a large expenditure, not in a fit state for the successful running of logs.

"2. Because a railway running into the Cowichan Lake district would open up an extensive mineral country, which is being at the present time prospected, and some very promising mineral claims staked out.

"3. Because by building this railway by way of the Nitinat river it would open up and make accessible to settlers a large area of highly suitable agricultural lands, and by further extension would also tap the China Creek mining district, and bring the West Coast of Vancouver Island into a better communication with the whole of British Columbia.

"4. Because this railway would supply Cowichan with an inlet to a very promising market for the agricultural products for which it is noted.

"5. It is well known that coal underlies the whole Cowichan valley, and therefore this district is eminently suitable, with its coal and splendid harbor facilities, for the site of a smelter and as a shipping port; and we may further add that a large zone of very promising mineral exists in Cowichan and neighboring islands, which mineral is being vigorously prospected and tested at the present time.

"6. The whole route which would be traversed by this railway has already been explored by competent engineers, and no difficulties in the way of cheap construction were encountered.

"Therefore, we hope that in the event of this railway being constructed, these our claims on your consideration will not be overlooked, but carry the weight which is their due, which, in our opinion, overbalance any claims which Nanaimo can present. We further consider that the advantages before mentioned would fully warrant the provincial government themselves undertaking the building of this railway with a certainty of favorable returns on the expenditure.

"Our representatives in the provincil house are hereby requested to see that the government are fully posted in this matter; and we further ask the Victoria board of trade to assist us and, at the same time, Victoria itself, in pushing our claims for the building of the railway from some point in Cowichan district.

Mr. James Evans suggested the appointment of a committee to draw up a full and explicit report on the advantages of this line. This was seconded by Mr. A. Blythe who named the chairman, the reeve and Mr. James Evans, and these names were at once accepted by the meeting.

Mr. Livingstone introduced a petition to the government, which had already received numerous signatures, for a trail from Cowichan lake to Alberni. At the close of the meeting the petition was signed by almost all present.

Mr. C. Bazett drew attention to the unsatisfactory state of the law on mortgages, and moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. A. McKinnon and carried: "That this meeting draw the attention of our members to the present mortgage law, and impress upon them the necessity of some alteration which shall protect the mortgagee from the present unjust statute, by which the property mortgaged is not sole collateral for the sum advanced; also that they should endeavor to secure the abolition of the mortgage tax."

The Reeve said, as the political part of the business seemed completed, he would ask the meeting to consider whether something might not be done to develop the wealth of coal which he believed lay under our feet. He read a letter from Mr. Robins, manager of the Vancouver Coal Co., in answer to an inquiry on the cost of boring, and pictured the advantages to the whole community which would arise from the establishment of a coal mine in our midst. He thought a public subscription to meet the cost of tests might be the best way to advance the matter, and expressed his readiness, if the meeting endorsed the scheme, to head the list with $10.

The chairman suggested a committee of inquiry, which was supported by Mr. W. Beaumont. Mr. James Evans proposed the Reeve, Mr. Beaumont, Mr. A. Blythe and himself. This was seconded by Mr. Beaumont and carried.

Mr. Horn moved "that our members be instructed to oppose the system of granting bonuses." This was seconded by Mr. C. Bazett and carried.

Moved by the Reeve, seconded by Mr. A. Blythe and carried, "that the secretary forward copies of the resolutions to our members and the press."

EXPORT LUMBER COMBINE.

Several Large Shippers Will Not Come—The Export Lumber Trade.

There are whispers that the proposed lumber export combine of Pacific coast shippers is not likely to come to anything. Many indications point that way. Although an effort is being made to get all the big firms into the ring, it is nevertheless known that many have stood aloof; and even the list of names of those firms which are said to have signified their intention of coming in is not wholly reliable.

"How about the new lumber combine," was asked of James B. Kennedy, M.P.P., and a prominent stockholder in the Brunette Mills Co., of Westminster.

"I know nothing about it," was the reply. "The first I knew of it was the articles in the papers. I see that the name of our company appears in the list. There must be some mistake, as I know for a fact that we shall enter no more trusts; they are unworkably and for several reasons I do not believe that confining the combine to export trade will better matters. I think you can say that we are not 'in it.'"

Mr. Schermerhorn, of the Sayward Mills company, said: "A combine is workable only in one way, and that is on the principle of the sugar trust. It must be under one head; and in no other way can proper results be obtained. I have heard of the matter, but I do not think that we shall join the trust."

Mr. Palmer, of the Victoria Lumber Co., of Chemainus, who was in the city in connection with the matter, left yesterday evening for his home. Notwithstanding that all is not clear sailing, a strenuous effort will be made to bring into effect the combine. There is a general opinion that the prices obtained for export lumber are not what they should be to allow of a fair and reasonable profit to shippers.

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In response to the following telegram from His Excellency, the Governor-General of Canada:

OTTAWA, 23rd January, 1897.

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After consultation with Dominion Ministry, I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion, in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this national expression of sympathy.

[Signed] ABERDEEN,
Governor-General.

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R. P. RITHET.
4th February, 1897. fe5

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Interest thereon ceases on the 15th day of February next.

Fifty Debentures, numbers 87, 69, 56, 445, 234, 24, 204, 443, 224, 231, 175, 71, 373, 126, 402, 3 5, 157, 472, 47, 306, 203, 362, 84, 329, 193, 222, 403, 278, 315, 238, 189, 339, 347, 158, 364, 79, 3, 348, 257, 174, 137, 30, 97, 201, 350, 1, 251, 259, 172, 244.

Fifty debentures of $500.00 each $25,000.00

The above-mentioned debedtures will be paid on and after the 15th day of February next, on presentation of the debentures at the Bank of British Columbia, Victoria, B.C.

For the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company Limited.

R. P. RITHET, Chairman.
F. W. VINCENT, Secretary.

[Countersigned.]
W. H. LANGLEY,
Victoria, B.C.,
Notary Public.
Victoria, B.C., January 23rd, 1897. ja26

Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for the passage of an act to incorporate a Company to be called "The Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company," to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from some point on Burrard Inlet or English Bay to New Westminster; thence eastward through the valley of the Fraser River and the Southern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Rossland, with power to amalgamate with, lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway, or portion of a railway, either as a branch of or part of such main line; to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the coast line between the International Boundary Line and Point Garry, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks; to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

A. L. BELYEA,
de16 Solicitor for the Applicants.

In the Matter of the Land Registry Act.

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.
Land Registry Office, Victoria,
January 19th, 1897. ja19

Estate of William Gibson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Alonzo S. Taylor, of Everett, State of Washington, U S, by order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem, has been appointed to administer, within the Province of British Columbia, the estate of the above-named deceased, who died at Monte Cristo, Snohomish County, State of Washington, on the 22nd day of December, 1895.

All debts owing to the said estate are to be paid, and all claims against the said estate are to be presented duly verified, to the undersigned.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1896.

SAMUEL D. SCHULTZ,
49 Langley street, Victoria, B.C.,
no25 Solicitor for the Administrator.

The Lanark Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, Limited L'y.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the share and stockholders of the above-named Company will be held at the registered offices of such company, situate at 163 Cordova street, in the city of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, on the 6th day of March, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing resolutions authorizing the above-named company to sell and dispose of the whole or any part or portion of its property and assets.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1897.

By order
J. BUNTZEN,
fe6 Secretary.

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of William Johnson, Deceased.

All persons indebted to the estate of the above named William Johnson, deceased, are hereby required forthwith to pay, and all persons having any claim against the said estate are required to send particulars thereof duly verified, to the undersigned not later than the 20th day of February, A. D. 1897, after which date the Executors will proceed to distribute the estate, having regard to those claims only of which they shall have had notice.

Tenders for the purchase of section ninety-two (92) Lake District, the property of the deceased, one acre of which was, by instrument in writing, dated the 8th day of March, 1890, leased to George A. Perrin, with an option of purchase in the event of the sale of the remainder of the said property, at a price per acre equal to the highest price per acre obtained for the balance of the said property, which said instrument was by deed dated 21st December, 1891, assigned to William McKeon, Jr., will also be received up to the said 20th day of February, addressed to DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN, Solicitors for the Executors. ja19

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

A Real Amateur Ballet to Enliven Vancouver Society—Still Boring for Coal.

The Church Troubles at Kaslo—Mines at Powell Lake—From the Kootenay Camps.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 11.—A. St. George Hammersley states that one matter to which he attended when in England was the promotion of railroad connections between Nelson and Bedlington on the American side of the line. The Great Northern will thus obtain an all rail road to Nelson. The necessary money has been got in England for the B. C. part of the line, and an application will be made this session to the provincial legislature for the required charter.

Considerable comment has been occasioned in society circles here by the announcement that a "real live amateur ballet" will be one of the attractions of the "Chimes of Normandy" performance given by the Vancouver Operatic Society on the 24th and 25th inst. It is understood that nothing more than a few graceful figures of the style usually given at decorous fashionable entertainments will be attempted.

Boring for coal in South Vancouver is progressing at the rate of fifteen feet per day on Postmaster Miller's land near the Cedar Cottage nursery. The plot is only a few yards beyond the city limits.

The school board is sending details of the incorporation and other particulars required by the senate of McGill University in order to procure the affiliation of the High school with that institution.

There is already considerable excitement over the election of a president of the Vancouver Bicycle Club as Mr. Bowell is retiring from office. The candidates are J. W. Prescott the present secretary and Mr. Miller of the Inland Revenue Department. Although the elections do not take place for two or three months, an active canvass has already been begun by the friends of both candidates. The contest is most friendly and the contestants are the best of friends.

The Philharmonic society are practising hard for their concert on Thursday next which will be given in aid of the Indian famine fund.

A number of Chinamen on Dupont street have been given two weeks to connect their premises with the city sewer. If they do not comply with the demand of the authorities they will be punished to the full extent of the law.

E. Jacob's lecture on Africa in the art-historical rooms was much appreciated by a large audience.

The marriage has been announced of H. G. Neelands to Miss Belle Whittett. Mr. and Mrs. Neelands will spend their honeymoon on the Coast.

Mr. Isaac Henderson has been very dangerously injured by being jammed between some sugar sacks at the refinery.

Charles Bowman, aged 16, died at the city hospital yesterday after an illness of a few days.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 11.—Ex-Mayor Hoy is in town from Kaslo, to recruit his health. Mr. Hoy reports that as yet there is no boom in the Slocan district, but he thinks there will be great activity there this summer.

John Bell, an old Cariboo miner, has been stricken with paralysis and taken to the Columbian hospital. It is said that he cannot recover.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Feb. 11.—The operations of the Powell Lake Mining Company (a Nanaimo institution) has been crowned with marked success. A ledge over 100 feet wide has been opened and traced for over a mile in length. This company has five claims, and feels sure that it has a property as valuable and extensive as the famous Treadwell quartz quarry in Alaska, and which has turned out its millions. The rock is very similar in appearance to the Alberni Consolidated. It assays more than a profitable percentage of gold and silver, and with the almost inexhaustible quantity of medium grade ore should prove one of the most valuable mining properties in British Columbia. Powell lake is situated near the coast of the Mainland, coming within three miles of salt water. The lake is said to be one of the largest on the mainland of British Columbia, lying just north of Jervis inlet. The work of development will soon be prosecuted with increased vigor.

Tenders have been called by the Cameron Lake Gold and Silver Mining Co. for the extension of the present tunnel on the company's property for about 140 feet.

The local subscriptions for the India famine relief fund now amounts to $300. Mr. Williams, manager of the Bank of B. C. here, sent the money to Ottawa this morning.

CHEMAINUS.

CHEMAINUS, Feb. 10.—A series of revival services in connection with the Chemainus Baptist church will be held in the new hall, commencing on Monday next. Rev. R. W. Trotter, of Calvary Baptist church, Victoria, will assist Mr. Welsh, the pastor, the first week, and Rev. Mr. Gunton, of Nanaimo, the week following.

Mr. Skinner, P.L.S., surveyed a number of lots near Chemainus last week.

Mr. W. T. Cooksley, of New Westminster, lectured in the Methodist church Monday and Tuesday evenings, taking for his subject the first evening "The Italy of America," and "From the Atlantic to the Pacific" the next. The lecture was beautifully illustrated with stereopticon views.

KASLO.

(From the Kootenaian.)

Daniel Simpson, mining engineer of Buffalo, N. Y., on Tuesday arranged with Charles L. Caldwell for an assignment of the bond held by the latter upon the mineral claims Texas, Cowboy and Minnie, situated at the head of Spring creek. The consideration is stated to be $20,000, with a cash payment of 10 per cent. Considerable work has already been done on the tunnel of the Texas, and it is the intention to begin further development work as soon as practicable.

C. F. Caldwell has entered into a bond with what is known as the "Steamboat Gang," for the development of their claims on Davie creek, the Cuter, Gray Copper, Lake View and Deck Boy. A company will be formed at once and development work commenced immediately. The ores are silver, lead and copper, assays running from 80 to 160 ounces silver and 70 per cent. lead per ton.

A number of representative mining men assembled at the office of George Alexander, in this city, last evening and decided to organize under the name of the Kootenay Mining Protective Association, the necessary preliminary steps being taken.

The waterworks system has been successfully tested, the hydrants throwing several streams with satisfactory force.

The Kootenay Lake Telephone Company opened its Kaslo exchange on Monday last.

NELSON.

(From the Nelson Tribune.)

The Byron N. White company has posted a notice stating that sixty days from January 16 an application will be made to the gold commissioner for right to use water from Carpenter creek, 1,600 feet from the forks of Carpenter and Cody creeks, for the purpose of operating the concentrator of the Slocan Star mine.

It is learned that a settlement of the difficulty between the parishioners of the English church at Kaslo and Rev. Mr. Akehurst, of Nelson, will not end short of legal proceedings. Mr. Meyer Gray, of New Westminster, solicitor for the Lord Bishop of Columbia, is preparing papers in the case.

The roaster and reverberatory furnaces of the Hall Mines smelter will be completed and ready for use in three weeks. The blower for the new 200-ton blast furnace is on the road and the balance of the machinery will soon follow.

The Early Bird claim, owned by John L. Retallack, of Kaslo, has been sold to English parties through Mr. Rolfe, of Nelson, for $1,500 cash. It is a low grade proposition of great promise.

Captain Gaudin, of Victoria, of the marine and fisheries department, has arrived here to examine those who desire to obtain certificates as masters and mates.

Walter J. Brown has bonded the Star claim at Ainsworth and will commence sinking a shaft on the property immediately.

A force of men is employed clearing the right of way of the Slocan river branch of the Columbia & Kootenay railway.

[From the Nelson Miner.]

E. D. Carter, owner of the Highlander, was in Ainsworth last week looking after his interests. The parties who had the contract to run an upraise to the surface to furnish the miners with good air, completed their contract while Mr. Carter was here. They will do more development work.

Mr. Alpherson, one of the owners of the Dellie mine, has had a crew of men working on his property all winter, and it is showing up very well. No. 1 mine is working full blast and the concentrator is running night and day. Mr. Shaw, the manager, made another shipment of concentrates to Everett last week.

The Tennessee and Iowa claims on Quartz creek, one-half mile from the line of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, has been sold to James McCreath, of Nelson, for $8,000.

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"In March, 1891," so runs his short account of it, "my health began to fail. I felt low, weak, and had no strength or energy. *What had come over me I could not tell.*

"I had a foul, horrid taste in my mouth, and no appetite. As soon as I had eaten, the food lay on my chest like lead. I was constantly spitting up a gaseous, sour fluid, and something would rise into my throat enough to choke me.

"I was much troubled with palpitation; my heart would thump and throb until I could scarcely bare it, and I had often to sit up in bed to ease the pain. I gradually got worse and worse until I was in a shocking state of weakness."

[If a person under such circumstances were to make up his mind he had what is called "heart disease," who could point the finger of ridicule at him for thinking so? If he were worried with apprehensions of sudden death from that cause, are *you* the man to say he was afraid of nothing? Not you, nor anybody else. And yet —— But let's have the rest of the letter.]

"I could hardly drag one leg before the other," continues Mr. Boorman, "and was so nervous that the least thing would startle me.

"I consulted a doctor, but his medicines did me no good, and in October, 1891, I went to Bartholomew's Hospital, but was no better for their treatment. I afterwards went to the Bethnel Green Hospital, but with the same result. I had now got so low and weak that I despaired of ever getting better, and thought I was in consuption.

"In January, 1892, I read of cases like mine having been cured by Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. I got a bottle of this medcine from Mr. Lucas, chemist, Talbot Road, and after taking it I found relief. I continued taking it, and in a month felt quite a different man.

"I could eat, and the food gave me no pain; and slowly I gained strength. By-and-by I was well and strong as ever, and have since kept in good health. Mother Seigel's Syrup has saved my life, and I wish others to know of it. You can publish this statement and refer anyone to me. [Signed] William Boorman, 61 Perry street, Northampton, October 23rd, 1895."

What, then, was it that came over Mr. Boorman? In the light of the result and the manner of the cure, I answer without hesitation—It was the dark foreshadow of the most common and the *most dangerous* disease known—indigestion, dyspepsia; the collapse of the body's power to keep itself up; the slipping from under him of the very foundation stones of his vitality: *That* was what had come over him.

Then why didn't he recognize it? Why didn't the doctors seem to recognize it? Why couldn't they "tell" what it was? Because it is the Prince of Deception, the counterfeit of all diseases *outwardly*, and the reality of all diseases *inwardly*. Because, having one nature, it has a hundred shifting symptoms. Its roots are in the stomach, and its branches run from head to heel.

When you feel the vague trouble that came over Mr. Boorman, recall these words and take Mother Seigel's Syrup, without waiting to wonder what ails you.

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The Corliss Alien Labor Bill and Threatened Retaliation by Canada.

WINDSOR, Feb. 11.—There is considerable discussion here over the proposed retaliation to the Corliss bill, which aims especially at preventing the employment of Canadians by Americans, should it become law. It is proposed to compel every American vessel which passes through a Canadian canal to land her crew at the entrance of the canal and to employ a crew of Canadians to take the vessel through, and oblige American sailors to travel overland to the other end of the canal, there again to take charge of the ship. Local vessel men say this will be one of the first actions of the government when parliament meets, if the Corliss bill becomes law.

The carrying out of this proposition would cause a vast amount of irritation between the two countries. Mr. Cowan, M.P. for South Essex, a supporter of Mr. Laurier, being interviewed on the subject, said the Americans had not a single canal Canadians were obliged to use, while hundreds of American vessels were bound to pass through the Welland canal. If nobody else brought in the bill to accomplish the retaliation in the manner proposed, Mr. Cowan said he would do so himself.

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It will be seen from the foregoing extracts from the report that the Company has not been incorporated on a mere "prospect," but that it has a valuable and proven property. It may also be mentioned that other assays obtained from the quartz of the Athabasca, in addition to that referred to above, have given $96 00 $294.00, $300.00, $146.00, $9,800, and $17,760 to the ton.

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Takes effect December 24th, 1896.

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JOHN IRVING, Manager
G. A. CARLETON, General Agent.
Victoria, January 1st.

VICTOR JENSEN, deceased.—This is to give notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at the next sitting, for a transfer of the license for the Boomerang Hotel, Court Alley, to sell wine, beer and spirits by retail, now standing in the name of Victor Jensen, to myself, Sarah Jensen.

SARAH JENSEN,
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Ar. Nanaimo	11:40	6:38
Ar. Wellington	12:00	6:55

GOING SOUTH.

	Daily	Sat'day
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	A.M. 8:20	P.M. 3:30
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:40	3:45
Ar. Victoria	12:20	7:00

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MR. MACPHERSON'S MISTAKE.

It would be uncharitable to suppose that Mr. Macpherson did not believe the attack which he made on Wednesday upon the administration of the lands department was not warranted by the facts, but it is amazing to see how far an honest man can get astray when he allows his political prejudices to mislead him. He told the house, and read letters to support his statement, that H. Bell-Irving had a lease of a fishing station at Rivers Inlet, for which he paid 25 cents an acre yearly, that the government had cancelled the lease at Mr. Bell-Irving's request and had sold him the land at $1.00 an acre. The only truth in this statement is that Mr. Bell-Irving holds a lease of a fishing station in River's Inlet. He did not agree to pay 25 cents an acre, but only 10 cents an acre; the lease has not been cancelled and the land has not been sold to him for a dollar an acre. Yet upon this gross misconception of the facts Mr. Macpherson employed the severest language he could command to characterize the conduct of the Hon. Mr. Martin in the alleged premises, accused him of favoritism, said that if he were in the Commissioner's place and such a charge was made he would walk out of the house, and claimed that his charge was sufficient to warrant a vote of want of confidence. It is rare that a Minister, who is the subject of an attack across the floor of the house, can so completely answer his accuser as Mr. Martin was able to do. Those who are at all familiar with parliamentary proceedings must have been surprised at the onslaught of the member from Vancouver. It is not altogether unprecedented perhaps, but it is highly irregular for a member to attack the management of a public department on the strength of copies of letters which he has been courteously allowed to have by the department. The rule is that a motion shall be made to have the correspondence brought down. Then the house is put in possession of all the facts, and it is not necessary for the member, who thinks anything wrong has been done, to make such a blind leap in the dark as Mr. Macpherson did and land where he did—in confusion.

THE BUG-A-BOO OF DEBT.

There are some amiable people who believe that Poor Richard's Almanac was the final gift of wisdom to humanity, and they never tire of telling how wicked a thing it is to go in debt. Pay as you go, they say, and if you can't pay, don't go. A very good principle this, but it has its limits when it comes to applying it. It fits very well into the living expenses of an individual or his family, but if the business of nations, provinces or commercial concerns were conducted on that principle we would see an end to all enterprise. The greatest product of modern civilization is credit. Without credit we would be little removed as communities above the conditions of semi-barbarism. Business men employ their energy, their ability and their credit and build up great enterprises. Governments develop countries upon precisely the same principle. No credit, no progress, or at least very little of it. Now credit implies debt. There can be no creditor without a debtor. Even our banking institutions, which are assumed generally to represent the credit side of business, are themselves debtors. Thus the banks of Canada today owe the public more than $200,000,000. The bank note which we take freely as money is simply an acknowledgment of a debt. The Dominion note which we must accept as legal tender is only a promise to pay. That is, a debt. The money which a merchant borrows from the bank was in five cases out of six borrowed by the bank from some one. The sixth case is where the bank loans its own capital, and even then the bank as a corporation owes the money to its shareholders. When we say that without credit there can be little progress, every one will admit the claim; but this is precisely as though we said that without debt there can be no progress. The test of solvency is not what does a man owe but what he is able to pay.

It will be necessary for British Columbia to go in debt in order that her vast resources may be properly developed. If it were possible to meet the necessary outlay by levying yearly a tax equal to what would be spent that year, it would not be advisable to do so, for it is right that the burden of great permanent improvements should be borne in part by those who will come after us and enjoy the benefit of them. But it is not possible to collect in taxes the money needed to open a province like British Columbia. No government could live an hour that would seek to impose such a tax. The money must be borrowed, and the great point to be observed is that it shall be borrowed on the most favorable terms and expended in the most economical manner and so that the public interests shall be properly safe-guarded. The people of this province will bear the government out in adopting such a policy as this. We think the debate on the address has made this very clear. The bug-a-boo of debt ought not to alarm a province of such magnificent resources, provided the amount to be borrowed or the extent to which the credit of the province is to be pledged, in case it shall be deemed advisable to aid railway construction in that way rather than by direct bonuses—a point upon which there will be more to say hereafter—is not in excess, relatively, of what a prudent and enterprising business man would assume in the management of his private business.

THE CRETAN TROUBLE.

It has been apparent for some time that serious trouble was brewing in Crete, which may likely be the spark to set Europe in a blaze.

Crete lies to the southeast of Greece and southwest of Asia Minor. Its position is such that the nation owning it commands the entrance to the Egean sea. It is therefore a strategic point of very great importance. The island is 160 miles long and has a width averaging from 6 to 35 miles. Its population is now not more than 200,000. In 1821, that is at the outbreak of the Greek revolution, there were nearly half a million people resident on Crete, but Turkish rule has been rapidly depopulating it. About two-thirds of the people are of Greek descent.

The history of Crete begins in the days of Greek mythology. Indeed, it was regarded as the favorite home of Jupiter, who was one of its reputed kings. It has had many changes of sovereignty, but finally passed into the hands of the Turks in 1645. Since then the Cretans have chafed under the rule of the Sultans and have made several unsuccessful efforts to unite their destinies with Greece. The most notable attempt was in 1866. By the terms of the Berlin treaty of 1878 the Porte agreed to carry out certain reforms on lines prepared after the suppression of this rebellion.

It is not easy to forecast the probable grouping of the powers in the event of hostilities resulting between Greece and Turkey. The gathering of the fleets is ominous for the peace of the world. Anything as certain to disturb the balance of power in the Mediterranean, as a change in the ownership of this island would be, could hardly be permitted to pass unchallenged by France and Italy, not to speak of Great Britain and Russia. The interest of Germany and Austria is less direct, except that they would necessarily be greatly concerned in anything calculated to advance the political importance of Greece, a country united to Russia by ties of religion and political sympathy. It is impossible, therefore, to regard the events now transpiring in ancient Candia without feelings of the gravest apprehension as to their effect upon the peace of Europe. The great source of danger is that if the partition of the Sultan's dominions is once begun it is hard to see where it will end. The course of Great Britain, in the event of a general scramble to administer upon the effects of "the sick man," would probably be to strengthen her hold upon Egypt and remain a passive spectator of events, unless it became necessary to interfere to preserve the naval status of Italy.

MR. HUME gave a few interesting figures in the house yesterday about the output of the Kootenay mines, and of the contribution of that district to the Dominion revenue. If the promise of January is kept up, West Kootenay will pay directly in duties to the Dominion over $375,000 this year. But we all know it will be more than kept up. We all know that the probabilities are that the customs collected at the port of Nelson is likely this year to reach, if it does not exceed, half a million dollars. This is in addition to what is paid indirectly on goods contributing to the revenue in the East and consumed in Kootenay. No stronger argument can be made than this to show the obligation which the Dominion is under to engage in or assist public works to open the mining regions of British Columbia. If all that will be paid on duties and excise in this province during the next ten years following a period of active railway construction were pooled it would probably pay twice over all that the Dominion would have to spend to inaugurate the greatest mining development the world has ever seen.

AT a banquet recently given by the Board of Trade in Winnipeg, Premier Greenway stated that "under the existing arrangements between the Dominion and Manitoba it is of great interest to the province that its boundaries should be extended." He expressed the opinion, however, that there should be only two provinces between Ontario and British Columbia. He added that on every hand in Manitoba were evidences of progress, prosperity and contentment and he endorsed the statement of the chairman that the province is on the eve of an era of prosperity such as it has never before experienced.

ORDERS have been issued from Pekin for the collection of more revenue in order that the Chinese fleet and navy may be modernized and placed on a war footing. The Commissioner of Customs at Canton replied that if he was allowed to collect the lekin tax, that is the import levied on goods carried into the interior, it would not be necessary to make the duties any higher or impose a new land tax. The inference is that the Chinese officials who handle the lekin tax steal the most of it.

THE esteemed Times is worried. Wednesday's debate did not suit it a little bit. Mr. Semlin set a slow pace, and Mr. Cotton was politic to a degree. The most interesting thing that has so far developed in connection with the session is the effort of our contemporary to make people believe that it thinks there is some prospect of a change of government this session.

THE statement made in the house yesterday to the effect that the railways of the city of Glasgow paid all the expenses of the municipality has been generally accepted as true, but it has been officially denied.

CANADIAN PRESS.

REVISION OF THE STATUTES.

Whatever may be the criticisms, of either the Government or the Commissioner, in regard to the manner in which the revision of the Statutes has been done, it would be churlish in the extreme to refuse to recognize the industry and ability which the learned Commissioner has displayed in his task, which, so far as the primary revision and consolidation is concerned, is brought to a close by the second volume which was presented to the Legislature on Monday. —News-Advertiser.

NELSON WANTS INCORPORATION.

The suggestion of the Miner last week for the immediate incorporation of Nelson has been enthusiastically taken up by all public spirited citizens of the town. The prevailing sentiment is that the rapid increase of Nelson's population from this time on makes local government absolutely essential, and nearly everyone seems to appreciate the great advantages to be derived from the general improvement of the public condition. —Nelson Miner.

THE CROW'S NEST PASS ROAD.

If the construction of this line is to be handed over to a company at all, it will probably be given to the Canadian Pacific, if the trade of the Kootenay is to be turned in to Canada and not the United States.—Manitoba Free Press.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Harlow—There's a new family up the street. Mamma—What's their name? Harlow—Dunno; but I've licked their boy already and sassed the servant girl.—Truth.

"I hear, Mrs. Derby, that your husband has two revolvers and a Winchester for any burglars who may call." "He had, but they came the other night and got 'em."—Detroit Free Press.

He—If I had known how sarcastic you were I never would have married you. She—You had a chance to notice it. Didn't I say? "This is so sudden?" when you proposed to me after a two years' courtship?—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Layman—Realism, eh? Now you don't mean to tell me that the sun really sets like that? Artist—Ha, ha, my dear fellow, you don't grasp the significance of the new art at all. That, sir, is the way the sun ought to set—Detroit Journal.

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LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

Mr. Kidd wanted to know what the COLONIST meant when it said the Opposition attack was mild, and asked if it wanted Billingsgate. Not at all. Strong language often makes a weak attack weaker. For example:—Mr. Kidd said the "government is pursuing a wrong policy in many directions." This is strong language though not Billingsgate. Then he went on to specify, and his specification was that the government is endeavoring to oppress those who have gone on the public lands to make farms, and is seeking to keep those people off the lands who wish to go on. This is very strong language, but no one will say it was a strong attack. Quite the contrary. It was a weak attack because it was not backed up with facts, and was so extravagently expressed that no one would take it seriously.

Mr. Kellie distinctly disappointed the house. He wants two more representatives for Kootenay, and suggested that, to save the province additional expense, two of the members in smaller constituencies might resign. When Mr. Kellie began everyone supposed he was going to say that he and his colleague would meet the expense by dividing their sessional allowance with the new men. But alas! he did not rise to the opportunity. 'Tis ever thus. We are all ready, like Artemus Ward, to sacrifice our wife's relations on the altar of the country, but that is as far as we are ready to go.

Mr. Rithet defined his attitude as to aid to railways. He is anxious that what the government does shall be so done that work can be done on needed lines at once, and as it is impossible for companies to formulate their financial plans until they have had time to consider the legislative aid, he wants the government to begin the construction of the roads itself. His great object is to secure the beginning of work this year.

West Kootenay may not have been "spoon-fed," but the representatives of that district will not deny that it was born with a silver spoon in its mouth and a gold one in reserve.

The Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works has a very handy way of defending himself from attack.

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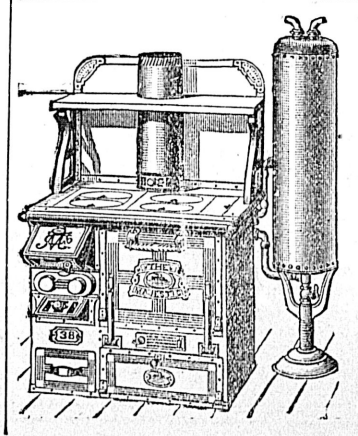

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THE CITY.

THE adjourned meeting of the Victoria branch of the S.P.C.A. is to be held at the city hall next Wednesday.

MEMBERS of the Scandinavian Valhalla enjoyed a social dance last evening, at which a number of the friends of the society were present as its guests.

MR. JAMES DUNSMUIR has kindly consented to hold the afternoon train from Nanaimo to-morrow afternoon—for the accommodation of the returning footballers and their friends—until 5:45 o'clock.

SAANICH lodge, No. 1597, L.O.L., hold their annual social and dance in the Agricultural hall, Saanichton, this evening. A special train for the accommodation of Victorians will leave the Hillside avenue depot at 7:45 p.m. for the scene of the festivities.

THE sixtieth anniversary of the reign of Her Majesty will be celebrated by the English residents of the Golden Gate. Already $7,000 has been collected, and it is probable that this sum will be considerably augmented. The celebration will be conducted on an elaborate scale.

LOCAL Greeks believe there will be war between Turkey and Greece over Crete. They have signified their willingness to go back and fight for their mother country, and they will tell their government there are 75 Greeks here ready to join their countrymen in arms against the Moslems.

FOR the convenience of the public on Saturday evenings the Consolidated Railway Company's cars will make an extra trip. The 10:35 p.m. car from the outer wharf will run to Tolmie avenue and the 10:30 p.m. car from Tolmie avenue will run to the outer wharf instead of running in to the car-shed only, and the last car on Saturday evenings from the corner of Yates and Government street (Campbell's corner) to Esquimalt will leave at 11 p.m.

THE numerous friends in Victoria of Mr. Charles Drinkwater, the genial secretary of the C.P.R., will be glad to hear that no serious consequences are apprehended from the assault lately committed upon him by a footpad on Sherbrook street, Montreal. Col. Prior had a telegram from him yesterday, saying that he was badly cut and bruised but not seriously injured. Mr. Drinkwater for many years was private secretary to the late Sir John A. Macdonald and is one of the best known and most popular men in Canada.

CHAS. H. YALE'S Forever "Devil's Auction," stands to-day as one of the phenomenal pieces of theatrical properties of the past decade. This is the fifteenth year of the piece, and the theatre-going public have not apparently got tired of it yet. The secret of its success is the energy and creative ability of its proprietor and manager, Chas. H. Yale, who each year makes a clean sweep of all old ideas and features, and replaces them with new and catchy matter. Manager Yale exemplifies each year pantomimically the absurd side of the current fads. The dates for this city are Monday and Tuesday next, with matinee on Tuesday afternoon.

THE names of Neil McCallum and Robert Clark appear on the register of the Oriental hotel. Messrs. McCallum and Clark are well known residents of Grand Forks, B.C., and are in Victoria for the purpose of inquiring into the proposed incorporation of that mining centre. Mr. McCallum said they would not necessarily oppose incorporation, but they wished to make full inquiries into the matter. They wanted Grand Forks to get fair play. They also seek to inquire fully into the water powers asked by a company seeking incorporation at this session of the legislature. Mr. McCallum said that it is practically a Rossland company, Rossland men being behind it with head offices at that place. The petition for Grand Forks incorporation was formally presented at yesterday afternoon's session of the legislature.

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CANON PADDON delivers an address in the Y.M.C.A. rooms this afternoon at four. Subject: "The Lord's Tenth."

A WARRANT was issued in the city police court yesterday for the arrest of Wm. Haritson. Haritson was charged under the vagrancy by-law with being a frequenter of a house of ill repute but failed to materalize in court.

THE Salvation Army held a war cry demonstration last night. There was a procession the "soldiers" being fitted out in appropriate regalia followed by a meeting at the barracks led by Sergt. Major Law and Sister Mary Moore.

THERE was a fire at the residence of Miss Gray, corner of Moss and Fort streets, yesterday afternoon. The blaze was caused by a candle held by a child igniting the wall, which were covered with paper. The fire department extinguished the blaze; damage, $40.

IN default of the payment of $10 fine and $20 costs, John Boyle, who threw a tumbler through a mirror in the Palace saloon, was yesterday "sent up" for two months. Bob, a Saanich Indian, for being intoxicated while driving a team through the streets, was assessed $5. He paid his fine.

THE death took place yesterday afternoon of Mrs. Ruth Hayes, aged 85, a native of Staffordshird, Eng., who for some time past has been living at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Burt, Vancouver street. Sunday has been set as the day of the funeral, which will take place from the residence at 2 o'clock and later from the Reformed Episcopal church.

THE following is the Y.M.C.A. Rugby team which will play against the Districts on Saturday: Half back, W. Wriglesworth; three-quarters, W. Peden, A. Reed, J. Dakers and A. H. Finlinson; halves, J. Hemsworth and E. Burns; forwards, A. Booth, W. Kinsman, C. McNeill, L. Campbell, W. Dickenson, A. Kitto, H. Galbraith and F. Otis. Reserve—F. Vigor.

A DISCUSSION on the franchise for women, opened by two interesting papers, one by Mrs. Grant and the other by Mrs. Jenkins, took place at the regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. yesterday afternoon. The meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. William Grant and was attended by nearly forty members of the society. Nothing was lacking that might contribute to the pleasure of the guests.

AS A result of the procession in Chinatown on Wednesday afternoon, three celestials appeared in the police court yesterday morning to answer a charge of setting off firecrackers. The police warned them to stop, but the mythical lion insisted upon having his full quota of firecrackers discharged, and the Celestials in consequence paid $2.50 and costs each into the civic coffers. Since the accident to the boy Auld, the discharge of fireworks on the streets has been absolutely prohibited.

THE masquerade to be given by Hope lodge this evening promises to be a grand affair in every detail. The prizes are still on exhibition in Sehl's window, Government street, and a large number of tickets have already been sold. The ladies are preparing an elaborate supper, and Wolff's full orchestra will furnish a programme of entirely new music in their usual excellent style. The tableaux are bound to be a great attraction. The most pleasing one undoubtedly will be the motto of the order "Honor, Purity and Constancy," which will be presented in statue style by three young ladies with appropriate drapery and light effects.

MAYOR REDFERN has received a letter, the following of which is a copy, from Mrs. Auld, mother of the young boy who met his death during the Chinese celebration: "Mr. Auld and myself desire to express to you our gratitude and appreciation for the kind and sympathetic feelings expressed by you in your letter of the 5th inst., in which you conveyed to us the letter and purse from the president of the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association. We have written to the president of the association and endeavored to express to him how deeply indebted we feel to the association for the kind and generous feelings which prompted them in this action, and which will ever be remembered by us with feelings of the deepest gratitude."

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SPRING GOLF TOURNAMENT.

Golfers From Portland, Tacoma, Seattle and San Francisco to Meet Victorians in Battle.

At a committee meeting of the Victoria Golf Club on Wednesday evening it was decided to hold the third annual spring meet on the 16th, 17th and 19th of April (Easter). Members of the Portland, Tacoma, Seattle and San Francisco clubs will be invited to take part, and as there are three days in which the various events can be contested, a large number of entries is expected for the various events. It was decided that the entries must all be in the hands of the secretary by Monday, the 12th April, and that the events for the meet should be as follows:

GENTLEMEN.

Championship of British Columbia (open)—Match play:
Open handicap.
Club handicap, A and B classes.
Mixed foursomes handicap (14 holes).
Driving competition.

LADIES.

Open event and championship } 12 holes.
Open handicap
Club handicap
Tacoma Ladies' event, 12 holes, for the "Cassidy Cup."

Further particulars will in due course be announced.

LADIES.

The result of the fifth monthly medal handicap is as follows:

	Gross Score.	Handicap.	Net Score.
Mrs W. Langley	67	10	57
Mrs. Burton	77	20	57
Miss Harvey	74	15	59
Mrs. Martin	77	16	61
Miss Foster	86	25	61
Mrs. Marquis	81	18	63
Mrs. W.A. Ward	74	10	64
Mrs. Purvis	71	7	64
Miss S. Pemberten	82	18	64
Miss Pooley	81	10	71
Mrs. Rawstorne	89	8	71

Mrs. W. Langley and Mrs. Burton will play off the tie on a day mutually arranged. The 4th "B" class monthly medal competition stated to have been arranged to have been played on Saturday next, has been re-arranged for Saturday the 21st inst.

NEARING TWO THOUSAND.

The Subscriptions Received for the National Indian Famine Fund Totals $1,387.80.

Collections continue to increase for the benefit of suffering humanity in distant India, the subscriptions received yesterday being more numerous than any previous day's collections. The separate amounts subscribed on the different lists during the day were as follows:

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E. Crow Baker	10 00
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Geo. Bevilockway	2 50
J. S. Stannard	2 50
J. S. Knarston	2 50
S. Drake	2 50
Rev. R. A. Bosanquet	5 00
E. Pimbury & Co	5 00
Chas. C. Stevenson	5 00
Collected by Mrs. G. Norris and Mrs. M. Court in the Middle Ward	59 50
Collected by Mrs. Stannard and Mrs. Bate in the North Ward	26 20
Collected by Mrs. Cocking in the South Ward	17 30
Total	$868 60

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Previously acknowledged	$54 00
Findlay, Durham & Brodie	10 00
Flint & Prossor	5 00
"A Friend"	1 00
Total	$ 70 00

BANK OF MONTREAL.

Previously acknowledged	$202 50
Lieut. H. W. Gordon, R.M.A.	5 00
Total	$207 50

TIMES OFFICE.

Previously acknowledged	$58 00

COLONIST OFFICE.

Previously acknowledged	$74 75
Citizens of Clinton	$23 00
Total	$97 75

CITY HALL.

Previously acknowledged	$80 95

PROVINCE OFFICE.

Previously acknowledged	$ 5 00
Grand total	$1,387 80

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THE "KATIE'S" TROUBLES.

The Vessel Strikes a Rock and Afterwards the Sheriff—The "Alexandria" Arrives.

The bark Alexandria, from San Francisco in ballast, sailed into the Royal Roads yesterday morning and will probably receive instructions from her local agents, Robert Ward & Co., within the next day or two to load cargo. Her skipper, Captain Barfield, is well known to the majority of the pioneers of this city, having in early years been a frequent visitor, and at one time, it is said, was captain of the Lady Lampson.

The steam barge Katie has been having more than an ordinary share of trouble during the past week or so. On her last trip to Victoria from the Fraser she went ashore off Saanich and sustained considerable damage. More recently she fell into the hands of the sheriff for indebtedness and has been taken over by the mortgagee.

The ship Speke will sail from Moodyville at the end of the week with one of the biggest lumber cargoes ever loaded on Burrard Inlet. This will consist of 2,166,000 feet of rough lumber, valued at nearly $20,000.

Tug Lottie leaves for Sooke to-day to get piles for the repair of the wharf at the William Head quarantine station.

Tug Constance left for Vancouver yesterday to tow the American schooner Laura Madsen to Port Townsend.

The steamers Vancouver and Mischief arrived yesterday with coal cargoes from the island collieries.

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" Rosalie " " "
" Princess Louise " N. Westminster.
" Evangel " Port Angeles.
" Constance " Nanaimo.
Sloop No. 26 " Cowichan.

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STILL IN DEBATE.

No Vote Has Yet Been Reached in the Legislature on the Reply.

The Member for Northwest Kootenay Gives His Opinion of Mr. Corbin.

The debate on the reply to the speech was resumed in the provincial legislature yesterday by Mr. McGregor, of Nanaimo, who dwelt particularly on the much discussed mortgage tax, which he considered double taxation. Then turning to railroads he asked the government to remember that there were other districts which required railways just as well as did Kootenay (hear, hear), and mentioned as an instance the projected railway between Alberni and Nanaimo.

Major Mutter, of Cowichan-Alberni, agreed with the Premier's remarks of yesterday, that redistribution should not be rushed through now when the population of the province was changing so quickly. Speaking for the farmer, he said that if the government were prepared to help in irrigation they should also assist in drainage in those parts of the province which required it. That the conservation of the forests and fisheries were matters for the government to take up Major Mutter maintained, and as a plea for the farmers he said that agriculture paid a higher tax than did the mines, and this could be easily proved, for if the farmers were taxed on their net output like the mines are now it would soon be seen where the taxes came from. If the government gave help to railways they should not be in the position of partners with any syndicate as that would throw all the responsibility on the government, which should either be sole owners of the railways or should only exercise a supervision over the rates. In closing he reminded the member from Nanaimo (Mr. McGregor) that Cowichan too wanted a railway from Cowichan to Alberni.

Hon. G. B. Martin, chief commissioner of lands and works, defended himself vigorously from the attack made on him the previous day by Mr. Macpherson of Vancouver, and characterised as uncalled for and untruthful the statement that the land act had not been properly carried out. It had been the chief commissioner's endeavor to enforce the act as thoroughly as possible, and if Mr. Macpherson had come to the department and asked for the returns of the various transactions he could have had them. Instead of this he had obtained some of the correspondence and had used it on the floor of the house without his (Mr. Martin's) knowledge.

"The whole theory of the transaction brought up by Mr. Macpherson is this," said the chief commissioner.

"On 1st April, 1895, a lease of 120 acres of land at Rivers Inlet was granted to Mr. H. Bell Irving for a term of 21 years, at a rental of ten cents per acre, or $12 per annum, not 25 cents an acre, as stated by Mr. Macpherson. That rate of rental is, however, changed on subsequent leases. After the amendment to the Land Act of last session was passed Mr. Bell Irving asked if he would be allowed to purchase this parcel of land, and he was told he might do so at its classified price, and there the matter now stands. The lease has not been cancelled and Mr. Bell Irving has not purchased the land. If the Chief Commissioner is not satisfied with the classification made by a surveyor it is competent for him to fix the price at which land may be sold. In this case then the land in question may be priced at $5 per acre, and the 120 acres sold at that rate would amount to $600, the interest on which at 4 per cent. would be $24 per annum, or exactly double the revenue derived from the same parcel of land under the lease, an increase which will be conceded to be in the public interest. Between 1882 and 1892 a dozen different parcels of land on Rivers Inlet ranging from 80 to 160 acres each were alienated at the rate of one dollar per acre, and when it is borne in mind that this Inlet has a coast line of more than 100 miles in extent, it may be inferred that there are still numerous sites available there for fishing purposes. In fact there are about ninety miles or so yet available.

With respect to the sale of a small island near the mouth of the Fraser river, which Mr. Macpherson complained of on Wednesday, the Chief Commissioner explained:

"On 23rd May Mr. Donelly wrote making application to purchase the island in question, which he represented to contain about two acres of recent formation. In reply he was informed that the government was not disposed to sell such small parcels of land. On the 4th June he renewed his application, urging compliance with his request, giving as a reason his intention to build and operate a cannery. Upon consideration it was decided that the establishment of a cannery would be an additional industry which would be in the interest of New Westminster district, and as there was really no valid reason for refusing the request he was informed that upon his complying with the provisions of the act he would be allowed to purchase. Accordingly he published the required notices, etc., and no protests being filed the purchase was in the ordinary course completed."

Those were the explanations he had to make to the hon. gentleman from Vancouver, and he was sure that hon. gentleman would be satisfied with them. Mr. Martin defended the action of the government in endeavoring to collect the arrears long over due by settlers. The government had given them five years to pay, and it was only fair to the men who did pay for their land that the arrears should be collected. He believed that the settlers themselves would endorse the action taken by the government in this matter.

Mr. R. P. Rithet expressed his appreciation of the speech from the throne, and after complimenting the mover and seconder jokingly told Mr. Kennedy that if he had spent a few months in the balmy air of the mountains of Cariboo, like the member for Comox had last summer, he would not now take such a gloomy view of things. Mr. Rithet referred to the very great increase in the output from the mines, and said that though the state of the lumber industry was not quite as good as had been expected, the improvement had to be gradual. One or two of the previous speakers had spoken in regard to the export of sawlogs from this province, but that certainly was a new thing for him to hear. In fact in his experience the logs had been imported from Puget Sound here—and more he was sure than were exported from British Columbia. Therefore he could not see why any change should be made to stop the export of such logs. The government collected their royalty on the logs cut whether or not they were exported. There was a great scarcity of logs last spring and even now and the mill in which he was interested had to get its logs from Puget Sound. Touching on the references made to the insurance act Mr. Rithet said he was sure Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Graham were under a misapprehension in regard to any company being able to avoid paying the insurance on account of the property having stovepipe instead of a chimney, for if the fact that the stovepipe were there was mentioned at the time of application for insurance the companies were equally with the insured bound by the contracts. Turning to the mortgage tax Mr. Rithet said that he did not think that the intention when the mortgage tax was imposed was that the borrower should pay it. If the principle of the mortgage tax was at fault, he hoped the government would meet the difficulty and abandon that form of tax and put on some other form of tax less burdensome to the poorer class. As to the desire of some members for greater restrictions on mining companies, Mr. Rithet remarked that while there might be some abuses under existing acts, it was safer to follow the example of countries that had more experience with mining companies rather than try to impose too many restrictions. British Columbia was only beginning to find out the value of her mines, and he was averse to placing unnecessary hindrances in the way of those who were willing to risk their money and give their attention to developing the mining industry.

The agricultural interests, he was sorry to say, seemed to have had the worst of the deal for some time back, and should have some assistance. While there was a general improvement in all other branches of industry he hoped that agriculture would also benefit. The increase in prices for farm produce came too late last year for the farmers, but he hoped they would be able to take advantage of the rise in the coming season.

The clause in the speech referring to railways next received Mr. Rithet's attention. No member was more willing to fall in with a policy for opening up the country by railways, and he hoped when the government laid before the house their railway policy that it would be on such broad and statesmanlike lines as to make possible the construction of roads at once, and not be on such narrow lines as to be in reality only a policy in name and not able to meet the necessary requirements. Until the policy was known neither he nor any other holder of a charter could go to the money markets of the world and ask capitalists to undertake the building of a road. It would therefore be some time before the policy could be beneficial unless the government be allowed to go on with the necessary works without the delay of making arrangements with private individuals. He hoped the policy of the government would be given effect to during the present year and advanced by actual undertakings while the negotiations with private individuals are being carried on. He thought this could be done without interfering with the credit of the country or the government. If the government were firm in their determination to open up the country in the present year, they would be fully justified in pursuing the course he spoke of. It was not so much an object to the province to make these roads pay immediately, as to open up and settle the country by railways or roads. The expenditure on railways was more than on ordinary roads, but the returns were greater, and while there might be increased expenditure it mattered little so long as people were induced to settle in sufficient numbers to warrant the expenditure of the money required. It was necessary to do something to aid the country without delay, and he hoped and trusted that, as there could be no doubt as to the richness of the provincial resources, some more vigorous and decided railway policy would be developed than in the past. (Applause.)

Mr. Booth agreed with Mr. Cotton that the crux of the whole situation was the financial question. The government had in the past made expenditures on the plea that the country would soon recover from its depression. This view he had shared, and the advance of prosperity he thought justified that policy. He counselled the government now, however, to be careful and not to be led into too extravagant an expenditure. It seemed to him before any railway policy was entered into, that the house should carefully consider the ways and means and see if the country could stand the expense. There was a great deal of talk in regard to competing railways, but railways were in their nature monopolies and the only way in which this could be dealt with was for the government to control the rates.

Mr. Hume, speaking for Kootenay, said it was not spoon fed as some members seemed to think. The revenue gathered from Kootenay showed her to be at the head of the list of the provincial districts as a revenue producer. Her output last year of metals represented $3,500,000, and she had paid in that period $254,854 in customs returns. He thought that the government should keep the water privileges in trust for the use of the people, and expressed a desire to see the control of the police in the outlying districts in the hands of the government. A mining inspector should also be appointed.

Captain John Irving rose to say that the people of this country asked for prosperity and, said the genial member, "we're going to give it to them." "We want a vigorous railway policy, and we want that railway built to Cariboo." He made some general remarks in which he urged the government to undertake a vigorous railway policy.

Mr. Adams took up the necessity of more railways as the topic of his speech, pointing out how necessary a railway was for the district of Cariboo. Though hampered as it was at present by the lack of communication, its mines were being developed, and he was of opinion that something should be done to place the hydraulic mines more on an equality with the quartz claims in the matter of taxation. He commended the remarks in the address on the desirability of irrigation and was in accord with the government in trying to collect the arrears in the payments for land.

Mr. Kidd, Richmond, took a general review of the speech and hazarded the opinion that the opposition were doing some good. He favored the government ownership of roads, but feared they would not be able to accomplish this. Their policy, however, might be so framed that the people would not be bled to death by the railroads. He thought the revenue tax should have shown a larger increase if it had been properly enforced. He could not give the government credit for giving settlers the encouragement they should have afforded. Mr. Kidd seemed a little hurt at the COLONIST's remarks, that the opposition's attack on the government was a mild one, and he therefore went on at some length to find fault with the government in a general way, one point being that they should adopt some other method of bookkeeping than the one at present in vogue. He objected to the land policy and the mortgage tax, and went over a number of other matters already referred to.

Mr. Kellie, member for Northwest Kootenay, made a characteristic speech, using pointed and picturesque Western expressions to adorn his discourse. He started out with the claim that Kootenay was entitled to more representation in this house. Two more representatives would be Kootenay's due and if any of the members were afraid of the expense let some of those who represent small constituencies resign and give Kootenay their places. Another of Mr. Kellie's wants was a young, live gold commissioner, and he hoped that the present gold commissioner would be pensioned and replaced by young blood. He desired to see municipal government in Kootenay and have the towns incorporated, so that they might build their own schools and cary out proper sanitary measures. He hoped some change might be made in the mineral act so that rock in place should mean any deposit of mineral that could be mined. He did not believe in the appointment of a mining engineer by the government as suggested by Mr. Graham to examine mines before incorporation, for mining engineers were frauds and he did not see why the government should have any more supervision over mining companies than over any other business in the country. They had heard a good deal about a railway policy. It was all very well to have an aggressive railway, and the member for Lillooet, who seconded the address, sounded the keynote when he asked for a business railway policy. Retain the trade for the coast was their cry, and the government was asked to dig up the dough and saddle the expenses on the province as a whole. They could not build a railway on wind, and it would be to the interest of the country if the Dominion government were asked to give assistance instead of the province. The Dominion took a million dollars out of British Columbia without any return, and while Kootenay contributed between $350,000 and $400,000 to the Dominion treasury, only $21,400 was contributed by the Dominion for public works in Kootenay last year. Anyhow Mr. Kellie believed that if capitalists saw anything in building railroads from the Coast they would jump in and build it. He was opposed to land grants to railways. Speaking of joint stock companies, Mr. Kellie suggested that when a mining company was formed a certain amount of the stock should be set aside for the development of the claim, and the stock so set aside should be classed as working capital and not be allowed to be used for any other purpose than developing or working the claim. "I have seen a reference in the speech from the throne about the Queen of England," went on Mr. Kellie, "but nothing about the King of Kootenay."

"Who is he?" asked several members, while the house laughed.

"He's King Corbin, of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway," replied Mr. Kellie amid renewed amusement. "He is skinning the mining lands of timber without reference to the rights of miners." There was no grant, Mr. Kellie maintained, that allowed Mr. Corbin to interfere with free miners searching for minerals. "But," went on Mr. Kellie, "Mr. Corbin goes through the land like a despot, taking the miners by the throat and making them disgorge." One man had told Mr. Kellie that he had to pay Corbin $750 for the privilege of holding his timber. The government, Mr. Kellie held, should grant no company outside of a town or a municipality control of water rights. The government had no right to give any person such privileges, and he hoped that any man coming to the house and asking for such things would be "kicked out of the back door." "The rights given to a free miner are sacred," Mr. Kellie went on warming to his subject, "and I hope that Mr. Corbin when he tries to trample on the free miners' rights will be taken in charge for highway robbery." (Laughter.)

Mr. Huff, of Cowichan-Alberni, had a few words to say about his own district, and remarked that if it had the same assistance as other parts of the province it would go ahead just as had Kootenay. Alberni was at present in the same position as was Kootenay in 1891, and with development would gain just as favorable a place as Kootenay held to-day. Therefore he was in favor of a vigorous railway policy, and thought the country was well worth it. Alberni was not altogether dependent on mining; she had large timber and fishing interests and agricultural resources. He hoped the bill for the railway to Alberni would have the serious consideration of the house, and he looked forward to his district making a most satisfactory progress both in wealth and population.

Dr. Walkem declared that he held an independent position in the house, and would act in what he considered the best interests of the province. He took up the mineral question and thought some steps should be taken to bring about some satisfactory basis of settlement between the E. & N. railway and the miners in regard to claims in the railway belt. Speaking of the proposed railway from the Coast to Kootenay, he believed people had not sufficiently counted the cost, and he urged that the prohibition against Chinamen working in coal mines should be extended to quartz mines. He favored the abolition of the tax on mine employes, and suggested that some precautionary regulations should be made as to the quantity of explosives allowed to be stored in mines.

Mr. Rogers brought before the house the claims of Cariboo, "the father of British Columbia." Its returns last year were $1,000 more than in its palmiest days, and it was due to it that the government should give it assistance to build railways, so as to transport the enormous amount of freight that would be taken in this year. The advancement of the mines was the property of the country and members should not be so selfish as to oppose such a policy. After suggesting that the Dominion government be strongly urged to grant assistance to the railways, Mr. Rogers moved the adjournment of the debate till to-day.

This was agreed to, and the selection of the standing committees was proceeded with. They are:

PRIVATE BILLS — Messrs. Hunter, Smith, Helmcken, Stoddart, Cotton, Kitchen, (substitute Semlin).

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS — Messrs. Rithet, Mutter, McGregor, Sword and Kidd.

RAILWAYS — Messrs. Booth, Rithet, Huff, Rogers, Hunter, Adams, Kellie, Walkem, Bryden, Irving, Sword, Kidd, Macpherson, Hume, Graham, Foster, Kennedy and Semlin.

MINING — Messrs. Smith, Adams, Rogers, Kellie, Bryden, McGregor, Braden, Graham, Hume, Kennedy, Macpherson, Forster and Sword.

PRINTING—Messrs. Mutter, Booth, Irving, Kennedy and Macpherson.

Mr. Stoddart presented a petition for a bill to incorporate the Cascade Water and Power Co.; Mr. Graham presented a petition for a bill to incorporate the town of Grand Forks, and Mr. Booth presented the petition for the incorporation of a railway from the Coast south of the Fraser river to the eastern boundary of the province with a branch to Kamloops.

NOTICES.

Mr. Helmcken, Monday—"That a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieut.-Governor, praying him to cause to be laid before the house copies of the case submitted to the Full court in the following matters: The Small Debts Act, 1895; the Coal Mines Regulation Amendment Act, 1890, together with the judgments delivered therein respectively."

Mr. Hume—"That an order of the house be granted for a return showing the number of land transactions in West Kootenay for the year 1896."

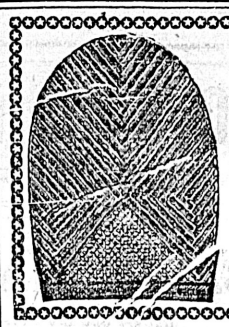
Mr. Kennedy, Monday—"That a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieut.-Governor for a return of all correspondence with the Dominion government resulting from the motion of Feb. 14, 1896, respecting the quarantine regulations at Williams Head."

Mr. Graham Monday—"How many railways in British Columbia are subject to the provisions of the British Columbia Railway Act, also the names of such railway companies. 2. How many of those companies have transmitted to the provincial secretary the account called for by sub section 6 of sec. 44 of the British Columbia Railway Act. 3. If any companies have not transmitted the accounts called for by the act, has the provincial secretary drawn their attention to the omission. 4. If not, why not?"

Mr. Kennedy will ask the chief commissioner of lands and works on Monday—"Why was the Log Scaling Act of 1894 rescinded during the recess? By what authority was this done seeing that by the unanimous vote of this house the committee appointed to examine into its working and recommending its enforcement was received?"

Mr. Graham will ask the Chief Commissioner on Monday: "How many railway companies have transmitted to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works a statement of accidents, whether to life or property, as required by sections 71 and 72 of the British Columbia Railway Act? 2. The names of such railway companies. 3. Has the Chief Commissioner given directions as to the form in which returns shall be made as directed in section 73 of said act? If not, why not?"

Mr. Graham will ask on Monday: "Have all railways subject to the provisions of the British Columbia Railway Act complied with the conditions imposed by sub-section 9 and 10 of section 31, as to submitting tariff of rolls changed for approval of the Lieut.-Governor-in-Council? If not, has their attention been drawn to the omission? If not, why not?"



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W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 20th January, 1897. ja17

NOTICES.

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CANADA.

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To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. Eberts, Attorney-General. WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable EDGAR DEWDNEY, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By command.

JAMES BAKER,
de31 Provincial Secretary.

Legislative Assembly

Private Bills.

NOTICE.

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on Monday, the 22nd day of February, 1897.

Bills must be presented on or before the 1st day of March, 1897.

Reports from the Standing Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 8th day of March, 1897.

If any of the Rules above referred to are suspended, the promoters of all Bills taking the benefit of such suspension of said Rules, will be required to pay double fees.

Authority to act as Parliamentary Agent during the session may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

Dated this 12th day of January, 1897.

THORNTON FELL,
ja13 Clerk Legislative Assembly.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.
January 2nd, 1897. ja12

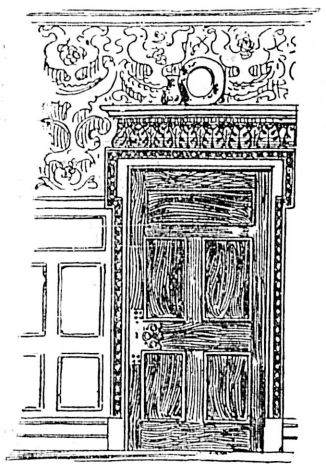
L. P. FISHER, Newspaper Advertising Agent 21 Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco is our authorized agent. This paper is kept on file in his office. j-8

IN MODERN HOUSES.

ART FITMENTS WHICH CONCEAL STRUCTURAL DEFECTS.

The Importance of Archways and Overdoors — Archway For a Narrow Hall. Overdoors Increase Apparent Height. Woods Employed Must Harmonize.

Archways and overdoors are simple fitments very much used and indeed almost necessary to many of the prevailing styles of furniture, being wonderfully helpful in hiding structural defects. An archway fixed between two



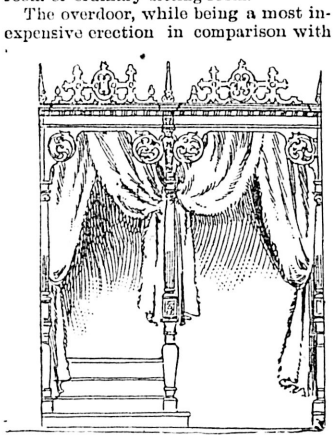
SHELF OVERDOOR.

rooms in place of folding doors will take away the ugly squareness of the opening and make quite a pretty addition. Then, again, in a long narrow hall, what better treatment can we devise than to erect a handsome archway, about four feet from the entrance door, to form a sort of vestibule and entirely disguise the passagelike appearance which it must otherwise have? Or, should the staircase go up at the end of the hall, a double archway across both stairs and passage, as shown in the illustration below, gives quite a picturesque effect and hides its ungainly proportions. With all eastern decorations archways play a most important part, and they are frequently fixed in a window recess to form a sort of lounge.

Wherever they are these fitments must naturally be in keeping with the furniture, and, if possible, should be of the same wood. All and every kind of wood may be employed for them, oak, walnut, chippendale, mahogany, painted wood and even the modest bamboo, and each may be made to look well when appropriately applied.

Oak and walnut figure generally in the dining room, hall and library. Chippendale, mahogany and painted wood belong more to the drawing room, while bamboo may be found useful in a bedroom or ordinary sitting room.

The overdoor, while being a most inexpensive erection in comparison with



ARCHWAY AND SCREEN FOR HALL.

its importance, is an immense improvement in almost any room or hall. It lends importance to the entrance and increases the apparent height. It is readily fixed without any cutting away of existing woodwork and can be elaborate or simple in design, according to the requirements of the situation. These are usually made in the same wood as the door itself, although this is not a hard and fast rule. In this, as in most things connected with decorations, we must be guided to some extent by individual taste.

A Word About Gloves.

The white and light colored kid, with black stitchings, is still much worn, but has certainly lost ground for special wear. A fine kid, with plain back, is decidedly good form, as is also a genuine dogskin, with heavy stitching, for morning wear, while the delicate and fine quality suede, in black or colors, still remains the glove of gloves for the well dressed woman. Fashion has been a little fanciful lately in the matter of fastenings for her particular hand coverings. The ordinary button is out of favor, and we have instead to draw our gloves together with some dainty bead of pearl, coral or even paste, and in such trifles does our lady of modes show her growing love for the costly and beautiful.

Ladies' Boots.

There is a disposition to wear the boots higher above the ankle. For country and hard wear the public is taking to cork soles, which are introduced above the leather ones. Not content with white shoes and white boots, women are now wearing boots with black fronts and white uppers. Boots with brown tops and a black golosh are also in order.

Claret Punch.

One bottle of claret, one-fourth the quantity of ice water, 2 lemons sliced and one-half cup of powdered sugar. Cover the sliced lemon with sugar and let it stand ten minutes. Add the water, stir hard and pour in the wine. Put pounded ice in each glass before filling with the mixture.

A PERMANENT FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To THE EDITOR:—It was gratifying to see in your issue of January 1 and under the heading "Best in the World," an account of the fire losses during past years, but in the same item appears a recommendation from the insurance companies that a full paid department be substituted for the present part call system, on the ground that good service cannot be expected under the present system. Are we to understand that the exceedingly favorable record for the past ten years is due to an efficient department? Are we to learn that the city has been running in a streak of luck as the proposition by the insurance men would lead one to believe? After reading reports from time to time from a source which should be reliable, many will no doubt wonder why so radical a change is to be made in a department that has worked so well, even under adverse circumstances. There appears to be a screw loose somewhere, and the aldermen might do worse than to go slow in making serious changes in a department already "the best in the world." There cannot be much to gain, with the possibility of much to lose. If there has been an average annual lose of $25,000 for the past ten years, why do we hear so much of the raising of rates by the insurance companies, who already have a good thing in Victoria? No wonder the chief read an essay and otherwise advocated the cities carrying their own insurance; at the fire chiefs' convention in San Francisco, and as he well stated, that if a steamship company owning twenty vessels can carry its own insurance, why not a company of cities?

RATEPAYER.

THE NEW WOMAN.

She Builds Her Kingdom of Heaven In Her Earth Life.

Most people have queer ideas of heaven. They think that we shall die and suddenly change into beautiful, dazzling angels, instantly becoming sweet tempered and pure and gentle and perfect, as well as be entirely happy forever thereafter. Such a transformation would be no more possible than for a tiger to be suddenly transformed into a god. We shall never reach the kingdom of heaven, though we die a thousand times, till we grow into it. What would the average woman, with her weakness of will, her petty treacheries, her little falsehoods, her sneering at and criticising of her friends behind their backs, her bad temper, her envy of other women whom she thinks more fortunate than herself, her revenge for little slights and great ones, her cherished grudges, her giving down to years of gloom and despondency and her whining over disappointments, do in heaven? Angels alone make a heaven, and until a woman is something of an angel in her earth life she can by no possibility associate with angels after she is dead. What is death anyhow? It is merely the slipping off of the body. We ourselves are exactly the same as we were before, with all our meanness and littleness upon our heads, and that is exactly how we shall be ushered into the hereafter. Therefore let us begin and perfect ourselves here. It is the only way to enter heaven after we are dead. Let us first of all clear our minds of every evil thought and passion. Let us learn to control our temper perfectly. Let us not admit for one moment an evil thought of any human being into our souls, either in the way of anger, jealousy, malice or pride. It will take years to do this, but it will furnish us an improving occupation all the years of our earth lives. W. J. Colville has said that the imbittering of life which we permit to fill our minds is the secret spring of all old age and decrepitude. So it is. The sour, sallow faced, spiteful looking woman is exactly what she has made herself in the years that were given to her. Look at her and take warning. Let it be the task of your life to fit yourselves here for the kingdom of heaven. Be gentle and sincere and kindly. So shall you really inaugurate the kingdom of heaven on earth.

There is nothing more delightful or more reasonable than to see mothers chaperoning their daughters on bicycle parties. The mother who cannot ride a wheel does not know how much fun both she and her daughters miss.

There are more women stump speakers in the political campaign than there ever were before. Mary Elizabeth Lease is actually the great gun of her party oratorically. Helen Varick Boswell is regularly employed to organize and instruct women's Republican clubs. Mrs. Elizabeth Sheldon Montgomery is speaking brilliantly in the New England states, while Margaret Ingels, a young girl, is one of the champions of the Democratic party in Kentucky. There are many others.

Li Hung Chang thinks bicycling for women is immodest. All people with Chinese minds think the same.

Miss Glen Byrne is a most successful commercial traveler. Her specialty is women's ready made dresses. From city to city she travels, raking in orders for her employers, dollars for herself and golden opinions from all.

ELIZA ARCHARD CONNER.

INJURY AND NEGLECT.

He Failed in Health and Strength—His Kidneys Ached and He Took Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Deseronto, Feb. 10.—(Special)—Among business people here, and especially by his fellow workman great interest has been taken in the case of Mr. James Stokes, who for the past fifteen years has been shipper for the Rathburn Company.

Lately he had run down in health and strength to the point of being compelled to quit work and his recovery now as the result of using Dodd's Kidney Pills, is the talk of the town. On seeing Mr. Stokes he said:—

"From over-lifting and strain I suffered greatly from kidney trouble, being advised, after all else had failed, to use Dodd's Kidney Pills, from the first dose I got relief, and hundreds of people here can vouch for my cure."

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connecction with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

Suburban Five-Acre Blocks

Equal to about 70 Townsite Lots, will be offered for sale on Most Reasonable Terms and at prices which are less per acre than the price of a single Townsite Lot.

This Sale will Commence on Thursday, the 14th January, 1897,

and affords opportunity for investment in property in a District now universally acknowledged as the coming Mining Centre of the Province.

These Blocks are Adapted for Residences, Orchards or Future Subdivision.

OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

Maps of the District, Subdivision Maps, etc., can be seen and all information as to Prices and Terms obtained on application to

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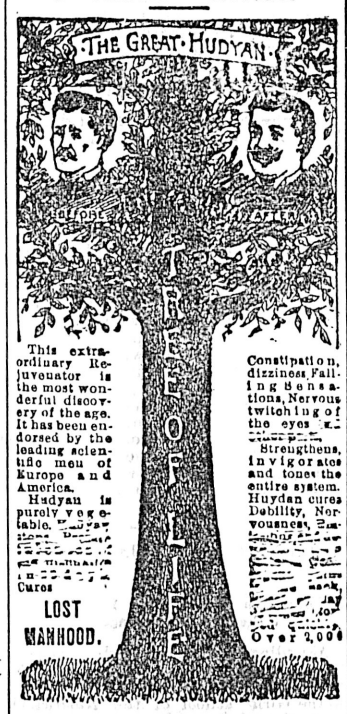

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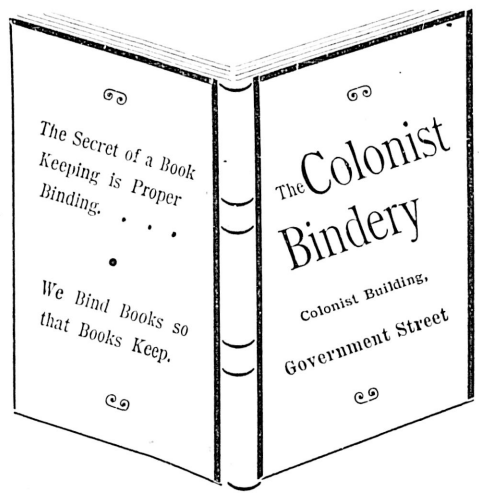

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Victoria, B.C., November, 1896. GEO. GILLESPIE, Manager.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of Longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia, with power to construct maintain, and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and construct, own, and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Government of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation, or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 19th day of August, 1896.

DRAKE JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Victoria, B. C. au23

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a railway of standard or narrow guage from a point on the Stikeen river to a point on or near Dease Lake, in the District of Cassiar, with power to extend to the northern and eastern confines of British Columbia, and to construct and operate branch lines, and telegraph and telephone lines, and to construct and maintain wharves, docks, warehouses, and to expropriate lands for the above purposes, together with all other usual, necessary or incidental powers in the premises.

DUMBLETON & INNES,
Solicitors and Agents for Applicants.
Victoria, B.C., January, 1897. ja8

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of acquiring mining rights over unoccupied parts of the Cottonwood river, Cariboo District, and the banks thereof between the points A and B on a plan in the possession of the undersigned; also to divert the water from portions of the bed of said river, and to take, use, appropriate and divert the waters of said Cottonwood river, and of Swift river, Lightning Creek and Chislom Creek, or any tributaries of the same, and to build flumes and lay pipes, and to supply said water for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, electrical, domestic and other purposes, and for other powers and privileges incidental or conducive to the aforesaid objects

Dated this 30th day of December, 1896.

P. C. DUNLEY
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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, Feb. 11, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	43°	Mean 41°	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	40.		
9 a.m..	39.	Highest 44°	5 a.m.—Calm. 1 p.m.—8 S.W. 9 p.m.—12 W.
1 p.m..	42°		
5 p.m..	43°	Lowest 38°	Rain—Cloudy. No Sunshine.
9 p.m..	40°		

Barometer 9 a. m.... {Observed .... 29.723 {Reduced..... 29.704

E. BAYNES REED, Observer.

"TAKE THIS TO SO - AND - SO," either printed or lithographed on the back of your prescriptions is not always an instruction from your doctor—only a druggists way of advertising. Ask the doctor and he will be willing for you to go to your own druggist. If he objects; let your druggist know.

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Per steamer CHARMER from Vancouver—J Armstrong, J W Garvin, G Heicks, W H Ellis, J Clapperton, F Appleton, A M Bullock, C Brash, W H Dempster, F V Austin, H K Prior, G S Batty, F S Findlay, R Clark, N McCallum, J Freel, M Howard, D Murphy, J W McCrea, A M Curtis, W Massey, G Percival, J M Carlyle, J H McGregor.

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DIED.

HAYES—On the 11th inst., at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Burt, No. 56 Vancouver street, after a lingering illness, Mrs. Ruth Hayes, a native of Staffordshire, England, aged 85 years and 3 months.

The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2 o'clock, and at the Reformed Episcopal church at 2:30 p.m. Friends will please accept this intimation.

FOR FLOWER MEMORIALS that will last, call at Bradbury's Monumental Works, Cormorant street, one block above the City Hall.

PERSONAL.

R. B. Clabon, Rossland, is a guest at the Oriental.

W. J. Massey, Toronto, is registered at the Oriental.

J. C. and Mrs. Voss have left on a visit to Hamburg.

H. L. Simmons and E. Macpherson, Vancouver, are registered at the Driard.

Charles Hay, Niell McCallum and Robert Clark, Grand Forks, are guests at the Oriental.

Superintendent Hussey of the provincial police has left for the Mainland on official business.

Police Magistrate Macrae is improving in health; but it will be several days before he can take his seat on the bench.

H K. Prior, general freight and passenger agent of the E. & N., returned from the Mainland by last evening's steamer.

W. H. Dempster and A. M. Curtis, the latter a resident of Vancouver, were among the arrivals from the Terminal City by last night's Charmer.

TELEGRAPHIC communication between Victoria and Vancouver was severed between 10 and 11 o'clock last night.

THE City of Kingston will change her time commencing next Tuesday. She will leave Victoria at 8 in the morning instead of 8:30 in the evening. This change will enable the Northern Pacific to make close connection to all Kootenay points, and will place Rossland, Nelson and Kaslo within 36 hours journey from Victoria.

VERY acceptable to the good number present was the programme rendered at last evening's concert in St. James' hall last evening. Miss L. Hartnagle's pretty solo, "Gold Land," was the opening number of the programme. Mr. Howard Russell sang Moir's "Best of All," and Miss Elizabeth J. Walker played the "Erl-King" on the piano, both performers doing full justice to their tasks. Mr. Williams' robust voice was first heard in Bonhenr's "Red Scarf," and secondly in an Oxford boating song, which he gave as an encore. Messrs. Nash, Middleton and Russell contributed a much enjoyed instrumental trio, and then were given more vocal songs, one by Miss M. R. Sharp, who sang "Madrigal," another by Mr. Godfrey Booth, whose selection was "Shippers of St. Ive," and the third by Mrs. Willoughby Anderson, all of whom were very warmly received. A quartette by Messrs. Greig, Booth, Phillips and Russell concluded the evening enjoyment.

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DR. MONTIZAMBERT,

Superintendent of Quarantines, Gathering Information for a Report to Ottawa.

Speaking of the quarantine station at William Head Dr. Montizambert, superintendent of Dominion quarantines, remarked yesterday that while the station was sufficiently equipped to give perfect safeguards, it was not what could be described as a perfect station, for improvements could be made that would permit of the disinfection of passengers and baggage being carried out more quickly. The smallpox in Japan and the bubonic plague in India made it necessary to be particularly careful in dealing with vessels from the Orient, and for that reason the steerage passengers coming from any infected port will have to go through a thorough disinfection with their belongings, as had those who came on the last Empress. There was not the same danger from the cabin passengers, for they did not mix with the steerage passengers and were not subject to the same conditions of infection before they started on their voyage. The great difficulty is to carry out the regulations so as not to interfere too much with commerce, for it is possible, Dr. Montizambert points out, to make regulations so stringent that vessels could give a port the go-by altogether and go somewhere else.

To-day Dr. Watt and Dr. Montizambert leave for Port Townsend to gain information on the quarantine conditions there, and then Nanaimo and Vancouver will be visited before Dr. Montizambert goes East.

ASHORE AND IN DANGER.

The Collier Mackinaw in a Awkward Fix—Big Salmon Shipment to Montreal.

At 11:35 o'clock last night the steamer Sehome got in from the Sound having taken seven hours to make the run from Port Townsend owing to the strong head wind she encountered. The steamer reports the collier Mackinaw, which went ashore at Marrowstone on Wednesday while en route to San Francisco with 3,500 tons of coal from Tacoma as still hard and fast and in a very dangerous condition last evening, as a very strong wind was blowing against her. Three tugs had failed in an attempt to move the vessel and it now remains for her to be lightened. Her accident is directly attributable to her steering gear, which broke down as the vessel struck the tide rip, which runs strong around Marrowstone point. As the tide went down the ship sprung considerably amidships, so much so as to disconnect the steam pipes which operate the winches. It looks as though nearly all of her 3,500 tons of coal will have to be taken out before she can be floated.

The Sehome had a little over a carload of miscellaneous freight going out, the bulk of the cargo being destined for Kootenay points. On her previous trip she had leaving Victoria a carload of pickled salmon, which is half a shipment that is being forwarded to Montreal.

STOCK EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS.

Business in New York Limited—Market Heavy and Lower—Panic in Paris—London Dull.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—With an abundance of money still to be had at cheap rates and eagerly seeking an outlet for expenditure, trading on the stock exchange continues to be confined to almost insignificant proportions and was further restricted to-day, owing to the fact that to-morrow (Lincoln's birthday), will be a holiday. Not more than half the dealings were again confined to the industrial shares which invite many by their sensitiveness. The market was heavy and dropped almost throughout under the combined influence of the reflected uneasiness in London and the continent over the threatened rupture between Turkey and Greece over Crete, the combined sympathy with the decline in the wheat market and the lack of well-defined opinion as to the effect of the rupture of the combination among the steel rail manufacturers on general business.

The general list also showed a fractional decline, though there were elements of resistance among the railways. These rose early in the day but fell on heavy London selling. The closing bids were: D. & H., 127⅞; D. L. W., 152⅝; Ont. & W., 14⅞; N. P., 14¾; do. preferred, 37¼; So. Pacific, 15½; U. P., 7; W.U., 82½; Com. Cable, 156¾; C. P. R. in London, 56¼; bar silver, 64⅝.

The Evening Post's financial cable dated London, Feb. 11, says: "There was a sharp panic on the Paris bourse, and the Cretan news made stock markets here flat throughout the day. Except for the liquidation in home rails, selling was chiefly from Paris. Prices closed at nearly the worst. Americans were sympathetically dull. An extensive forgery of Bank of England £20 notes has apparently taken place on the continent. The notes are chiefly circulated in Prague and Vienna. The imitation is excellent."

FARMING IN MANITOBA,

A Mennonite Farmer Says the Settlers Are the Best Off in the World.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 11.—The tariff commission concluded its session by sitting two hours this morning, and the ministers have left for the East. This morning a Mennonite farmer gave evidence that the Manitoba farmers were the best off in the world. He accused the other farmers who testified, as being paid agitators whom the Liberals had induced to run down the country. He was a Liberal himself, but was becoming rich, and was completely satisfied. The pork packers also gave evidence.

If sick headache is misery, what are Carter's Little Liver Pills if they will positively cure it? People who have used them speak frankly of their worth. They are small and easy to take

BAYARD BANQUETTED.

Proposal to Close Public Houses on Sunday Voted Down in the Commons.

Motion to Disestablish and Disendow the Church of England Rejected.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Some 150 persons assembled this evening at the dinner which the Royal Societies' Club gave to U.S. Ambassador Bayard upon his retirement from the Court of St. James. Mr. Bayard sat between Sir Clements Markham and the Marquis of Lorne. Throughout the dinner the band of the Coldstream Guards played the music, including many American airs.

By a vote of 206 to 149 the House of Commons to-day rejected the bill of Mr. Charles R. Wilson, Liberal, providing for the closing of public houses throughout Sunday. They are at present allowed to be open for a period during the middle of Sunday and on Sunday evenings.

Samuel Smith, Liberal, formerly president of the Liberpool chamber of commerce, moved in the House of Commons the disestablishment and disendowment of the Church of England. He contended that established churches were inimical to popular rights.

Mr. Balfour, first lord of the treasury and government leader, described the motion as a shame and wasting the time of the house. It was rejected by a vote of 204 to 86. Smith is the author of "Credibility of the Christian Religion."

The chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, answering a question put by Mr. John W. Laurie, Conservative, said he believed Canada was disposed to contribute towards the cost of a direct cable to Bermuda and Jamaica, but he was not aware that Canada had made an offer to pay £3,000 yearly. The government of Jamaica, he added, had offered to transfer a subsidy of £2,000 yearly from the present cable via United States and Panama towards the expenses of the proposed direct cable.

In replying to Sir John Lubbock, Liberal, Mr. Balfour said the government intended to make a public holiday on the occasion of the Queen's diamond jubilee, but it was not proposed to make the day a permanent holiday.

Mr. A. J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury, replying in the House of Commons to Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Parnellite member for Kilkenny city, said it was contrary to practice to give compensation in cases such as that of Edward J. Ivory, of New York, who was recently found not guilty of the charge of conspiring to cause a dynamite explosion. Mr. Balfour added that no communication on the subject had been received from the United States.

RECIPROCITY NEGOTIATIONS.

Probable Appointment of a Joint Canadian and U. S. Commission.

BUFFALO, Feb. 11.—A special to the Commercial from Washington to-day says: "It is believed that a joint commission, consisting of two Canadians and two congressmen to be appointed by President McKinley will be formed to investigate and report on the subject of a commercial treaty between Canada and the United States. This, it is said, will be the result of the presence in Washington for the past ten days of Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. L. H. Davies. During their stay in Washington the two gentlemen have had numerous conferences with many public men prominently identified with the Republican and Democratic parties, principally, however, with Republicans, as they are led to believe that President McKinley will accept the invitation which the Canadian government will extend for such a commission. They maintain, if the commission reports favorably, and they have little doubt that it will do so, that it will result in such a treaty. An arrangement of this character would be ruinous to the farmers along the northern border of this country; but its benefits to the manufacturers would be very great, as under the terms of the proposed arrangement the American manufacturer would be the principal controller of the Canadian market."

The Canadian commissioners return to Ottawa to-morrow.

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Last and all the time Hood's Sarsaparilla has been advertised as a blood purifier. The great cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla have been accomplished through purified blood. Scrofula, salt rheum, eczema, rheumatism, neuralgia, yield to Hood's Sarsaparilla, because it eradicates the

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"STATE OF GEORGIA" LOST.

Unsuccessful Search for the Missing Steamship—All Hope Given Up.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Feb. 11.—(Special)—The steamer Nimrod succeeded in getting free from the ice floe last night, reaching here early this morning. Captain Blanford, her commander, and Captain Ashe, representing the owners of the missing steamship State of Georgia, agree that the latter must have foundered. The steamer Nimrod went 200 miles north, cruising in a zigzag fashion through the ice floes. Nothing was sighted. The Nimrod then steamed south. Again nothing was visible within range of the most powerful telescope used from the crow's nest. It is agreed on all sides here that the steamship State of Georgia must have been lost. The State of Georgia left Dantzic on December 23 for Halifax, N.S., and St. John N.B. She passed Donnet Head, Scotland, on December 26, and has not been heard from since. Her cargo consisted of 2,000 tons of beet sugar.

SPRINGHILL COLLIERIES.

The Entire Force of Men Idle—Not Much at Issue Between Company and Strikers.

HALIFAX, Feb. 11.—The members of the Mechanics' lodge, P.W.A., knocked off work in the coal mines at Springhill to-day, and the entire force of the colliery is now idle. The Mechanics' lodge yesterday notified the management that if the grievances of Pioneer lodge were not settled by 6 p.m. to-day the members of the former would also go out. As the trouble was not settled this threat was carried out. The strike committee of Pioneer lodge to-day presented to General Manager Cowan a proposition for settlement covering all the questions in dispute, which they asked him to sign. It shows that there is not much difference between what the men desire and what the management are willing to give.

ANOTHER OUTRAGE ON MISSIONARIES.

An American Mission Near Foochow Attacked But Not Damaged.

According to Japanese exchanges received by the steamship Empress of China, an attack was made by armed men on the Girls' school of the American Methodist mission at Ngu Cheng in the Hok-chiang district, about fifty miles southeast of Foochow, on the third of last month. It was the last of a series of annoyances to which this school has been subjected ever since it was erected, two years ago. The two leading families or clans in the village are the Shih and the Ho, and they have been enemies for generations. The Ho people lived in the village proper and the Shihs lived a short distance to the north. Between them was an open space which was their fighting ground, and once a year at least they met for battle. It was on this spot, two years ago, that the American Methodist girls' school was built, and the two clans, and especially that of Shih, have threatened to destroy it. Some late attacks, however, were insignificant, and no one was injured.

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the Colonist.)

Conservative Demonstration at Quebec.

QUEBEC, Feb. 11.—The Chateau Frontenac was crowded last evening with three hundred of Quebec's leading citizens, assembled to do honor to Premier Flynn. A large number of former Liberals were present, including ex-Mayor Tremont, M.P., and T. C. Aylwin, nephew of the late chief justice, who have turned over to the Conservative party. Mr. Flynn made one of the best speeches he ever delivered in response to the toast of his health.

Burned to Death.

PORT ARTHUR, Feb. 11.—Some time during the night a fire destroyed a small group of buildings north of town. They were used as pigpens. The bodies of two men were found in the ruins this morning. One is supposed to be that of Joseph Reve, the owner. About seventy-five pigs were also burned. The horse was found hitched to a tree by some men going wood chopping. The whole affair is shrouded in mystery. An inquest will be held.

For the Famine Fund.

OTTAWA, Feb. 11.—Lord Aberdeen sent his cheque to the deputy minister of finance to-day for $1,000 to the famine fund. The total amount of the fund now is $47,575. Of this amount Mr. Courtney has sent on to the sufferers $31,466. Toronto gave $5,608; Winnipeg, $5,000; Montreal, $23,617; Hamilton, $3,100; Quebec, $1,553; Halifax, $1,280, and Ottawa, $907. Mayor Bingham's famine fund for Ottawa, which amounts to about $4,500, is not included in the above.

Odd Fellows Insurance Co. Assigns.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 11.—The Wisconsin Odd Fellows Mutual Life Insurance Co., which was organized in 1889 made an assignment to-day for the benefit of its creditors.

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WANTS.

WANTED to purchase—Small steamer for Fraser River cannery. Address Steamer, Colonist. fe11

WANTED—Live and energetic lady canvasser: light work. Apply at 100 Douglas street, between 10 and 11 a.m. fe11

THOROUGHLY experienced dressmaker would like position in British Columbia as forewoman; 11 years' New York and Toronto experience; now living in Toronto. For reference apply this office. fe10

WANTED—Agent to represent the Canadian Railway Accident Insurance Company, who are writing the most improved contracts of the present day; liberal commission paid to energetic man. Stanley Henderson, General Agent, Vancouver. fe9

WANTED AT ONCE—Active agents for each county; exclusive control; no risk; clear 12 to 25 hundred dollars a year. Enclose stamp for full particulars, or 25 cents for $1.00 sample. Big Rapids Mineral Water Co., Big Rapids, Mich. fe6

WANTED—A general servant. Apply 154 Menzies street, James Bay. fe6

WANTED—Partner—Good chance for a young man; half interest in stationery and drug business in Rossland, B.C.; chance to learn the business; small capital. Address Drug, Colonist office. fe6

WANTED—A first-class dressmaker; must have a knowledge of millinery; steady employment for the right person. Apply with references, stating salary wanted. Address P.O. Box 103, Vernon, B C. fe5

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply Mrs. C. H. Gibbons, Dominion road, Victoria West. fe5

WANTED TO RENT—A furnished house; state location, rent and number of rooms. Address A.A., Colonist office. fe

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A good nursemaid. Apply Mrs. Alan Dumbleton, Rockland avenue. fe3

RELIABLE sober man, 9 years' in Victoria with best of references; is willing to give his services at a very low rate for a steady job; indoor work preferred. Address W.G., this office. ja3

TEACHER WANTED for Hornby Island, Comox District; male teacher preferred. Apply to Geo. Hetherbell, Hornby Island, B.C. de20

WANTED in January experienced nurse for small children; references required. Address 1149 Melville street, Vancouver. de19

QUEEN VICTORIA: Hear Life and Reign—Great historic work; sells on sight to thousands; Lord Dufferin introduces it to Canadians in glowing words; easy to make $20.00 a week; some make twice that; many make more in spare time than during day at regular employment; this year's great Sexagenary Celebrations are booming it; books on time; prospectus free to canvassers; territory going fast. The Bradley-Garretson Co., Ld., Toronto, Ont.

TO LET OR LEASE.

TO LET—The second story of the Lewis Lewis building, containing a large hall; also three furnished rooms and parlor on the third floor; also store lately occupied by Lewis Lewis. fe7

TO LEASE—Farm near Victoria, 10 acres cleared; about 200 fruit trees beginning to bear; also strawberries and some other small fruit; good new house and suitable barn and outbuildings; rent reasonable. X.B.A., Colonist office. ja20

FURNISHED house to rent, 4 Battery street, Beacon Hill Park; 8 rooms, with lawn, flowers, etc.; small stable; rent very reasonable. Call at any time after 10 a.m. oc24-tf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Desirable residence on Rockland avenue; two lots with good garden, outhouses, etc. Pemberton & Son. fe11

FOR SALE—A large copper property in good locality; experts report; will bond on liberal terms. Beaumont Boggs. ja14

JUST arrived from Mill Bay, 75 cords No 1 dry cordwood; for sale at current rates; in short or long lengths as required; your order solicited. A. C. Howe. de19

MISCELLANEOUS.

GIDEON HICKS, Pianoforte Tuner, of Vancouver, will be in Victoria on February 11, and owing to pressure of business, will remain only ten days. Address all orders to Post Office, Victoria. Special terms by the year. fe11

PLACE order for 1896 Rambler, $80. Weiler Bros. fe6

F. ELWORTHY—Balance-sheets prepared, accounts audited, general agencies taken. Office, Board of Trade Building. au30 tf

SEVERAL house servants can be supplied on calling Japanese Employment Office, No. 5 Government street. ja12

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